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Jordan No Longer Dressing for Joint Meet With the PLO

By David B. Ottaway
Washington Post Service

JMAMAN, Jordan — Jordan will no longer dress for a joint Jordanian-Palestinian delegation to any Middle East peace talks and support a separate Palestinian nation, King Hussein said Monday. The PLO already had told Jordan that it has no interest in a joint delegation following months of disturbances in the occupied West Bank and a Strip.

Israeli officials, stung by foreign television footage showing four soldiers beating two Palestinians, are siding with the PLO, the King said. The New York Times reported Monday from a spokesman that the king's stance is a "package" deal that has to be considered as a whole.

An aide said the secretary was still "defining the ideas" in the package and that there was "still nothing on paper."

Monday night, Mr. Shultz returned to Jerusalem, where he held his fourth round of separate talks with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir of Israel and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres.

The failure of Mr. Shultz and Mr. Peres to agree on joint meetings with Mr. Shultz because of their differences over the U.S. peace plan has forced the secretary to conduct a kind of "shuttle diplomacy" between the two rival leaders of the Israeli coalition government.

Ban on Journalists?
John Kijner of The New York Times reported Monday from Jerusalem.

As the Palestinian unrest continued, two more Arabs died Monday, raising the number of Palestinians killed to 10.

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South African religious leaders marching to Parliament in Cape Town on Monday before police stopped them. They are, left to right, Reverend Mjomo, Archbishop Naidoo, Archbishop Tutu, Reverend Boesak, Reverend Chikane and Reverend Lockett.

Tutu Is Arrested at Protest in Cape Town

By William Claiborne
Washington Post Service

JOHANNESBURG — Archbishop Desmond M. Tutu and other religious leaders were arrested Monday in Cape Town after attempting to march to Parliament with a petition protesting the government crackdown on anti-apartheid organizations.

The church leaders were detained briefly at a police station. They were released on their own recognizance after being told that formal charges against them for contravention of emergency regulations were being considered.

It was the first time that Archbishop Tutu, the head of the Anglican church in South Africa, has been arrested since he won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1984 and only the second time this decade.

In addition to Archbishop Tutu, the two dozen clergymen arrested Monday included Archbishop Stephen Naidoo, a Roman Catholic leader; the Reverend Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches; the Reverend Frank Chikane, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches; and the Reverend Khoza Mjomo, president of the Methodist Church in South Africa.

The arrests underscored the potential for a growing confrontation between church and state in South Africa. Some religious leaders increasingly see themselves as the last legal avenue for nonviolent dissent against the government's apartheid policies and white minority rule.

Cape Town policemen sprayed water cannon on another group of about 100 clergymen and supporters who protested the arrests with a sit-down near Parliament. The demonstrators were then loaded into police vehicles as they recited the Lord's Prayer.

The arrests came as the South African Council of Churches and other religious bodies sought to fill the protest vacuum created Wednesday with the effective banning of 17 leading anti-apartheid groups and the placing of severe restrictions on the country's largest trade union federation.

Invoking emergency powers, President Pieter W. Botha gave Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok the authority to prohibit "any activities or acts whatsoever" by any of the organizations.

After his release, Archbishop Tutu said at a news conference that the arrested clergies represent 12 million South African Christians and could not be dismissed by the government.

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Ethnic Friction Is Said to Spark Rampage in Key Azerbaijan City

By Philip Taubman
New York Times Service

MOSCOW — The Soviet Union on Monday reported an outbreak of rioting Sunday in one of the country's major oil centers that was apparently related to recent nationalist unrest in the same region.

The official news agency Tass said that the industrial city of Sumgait, on the Caspian Sea in the heart of one of the country's main areas for the production of oil and natural gas, was the scene of a violent rampage Sunday.

Unofficial information reaching Moscow indicated that the rioting in Sumgait, a city of 220,000 people, involved fighting between Azerbaijanis and Armenians.

[The Associated Press quoted a prominent dissident, Sergei I. Grigoryants, who is of Armenian origin, as saying: "Thugs in Sumgait went up to people and asked them if they were Armenian or not. They started to beat people who said they were Armenians. Several people were knifed."]

The city is located in the Azerbaijan Republic, which, along with the neighboring Armenian Republic, has been shaken by nationalist protests and clashes.

The eruption in Sumgait, not far from the Azerbaijani capital of Baku, suggested that tensions in the two republics had spread to an area of acute economic importance to the Soviet Union.

The rioting also suggested that the temporary suspension of protests in the Armenian capital of Yerevan over the weekend did not mean a quick end to one of the most serious cases of nationalist unrest in the Soviet Union since the 1920s.

Recent clashes between the two groups in other parts of Azerbaijan left two Azerbaijanis dead and several dozen Armenians and Azerbaijanis injured, according to government reports.

The two peoples are divided by religion — the Armenians primarily Christian, the Azerbaijanis primarily Shiite Muslim — and a history of conflict predating the formation of the Soviet Union.

The report about Sumgait came as protests continued in the Nagorno-Karabakh Autonomous Region, a largely Armenian area within Azerbaijan.

The recent wave of nationalist unrest has centered on the revival of longstanding demands that the region be unified with Armenia.

Residents and government officials in Stepanakert, the capital of Nagorno-Karabakh, said in telephone interviews Monday that Armenian demonstrators were again marching through the city.

Demonstrations began in Nagorno-Karabakh on Feb. 13, then spread to Yerevan a week later, where hundreds of thousands of Armenians boycotted schools and jobs, pouring into the center of the capital.

Yerevan was quiet again Monday, as life and work returned to normal following Mikhail S. Gorbachev's personal intervention Friday to ease what had become perhaps the most serious domestic crisis since he took office three years ago.

After Mr. Gorbachev called Friday for restoring order and told two leading Armenian writers that he would review the grievances that touched off the protests, Armenian nationalist leaders appealed Saturday for a one-month suspension of the demonstrations in Yerevan.

Tass, following the government's policy of disclosing only sketchy reports about the unrest, said the disturbances in Sumgait were provoked by "a group of hoodlums."

"Rampage and violence followed," Tass reported.

The news agency added, "Measures have been adopted to normalize the situation in the city and safeguard discipline and public order. An investigation has been launched."

Israeli Faith in Sons Is Shaken

By Alan Cowell
New York Times Service

JERUSALEM — A secretary of this town 600 yards from the border of Jordan, and last Friday, he had a faith that survived wars and a decade seemed suddenly to wither.

Residents switched on their television sets and saw one of their own boys, 20, a sergeant in the Israeli Army, being beaten by three other soldiers in the occupied West Bank.

The videotape footage from CBS News, which appeared on Israeli television in a shorter version, shocked many across the land. People shielded from what Palestinians call the "uprising" were faced with the army practices that offer Israel's protection.

Here, where they cherish the liberal message of the kibbutz movement and nurture perceptions of soldierly valor and honor that date in large part from the fighting in 1948, the images on the videotape except seemed to contradict the lessons of history.

"I made many wars," said Mr. Bar, 66, "and I was never in such a situation."

"The message we give over to our sons is human and liberal, seeking to compromise with the Arabs," he said. "It is part of the education not to hate the Arabs. As children, they were taught to differentiate between good and bad."

Once, he felt certain that the message would stick.

"I have two sons of military age," he said. If they were in the same situation as Sergeant Harpe, he continued, "I cannot be sure, I can only hope that they will not behave like this."

What, then, had happened to the message? "I don't know," he said.

The sudden injection of harsh images has stirred passions in Kibbutz Geshet, that reflect the wider debate among Israelis about what has happened to their image, in their eyes and in the eyes of others, and what the outburst of violence and counterviolence is doing to those charged with holding the lands captured 21 years ago.

Sergeant Harpe and the three other soldiers have been arrested.

"I taught my son to go to the army with his head held high, to contribute and protect," Sergeant Harpe's mother, Anahel, said in an interview with the army radio before her lawyer advised her not to talk to reporters.

"And what has happened here?" she said, blaming her son's orders for his plight. "He has become a beater of children and women."

"For a long time, Israelis have been saying that there is an erosion in the faith in our sons," she said.

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An Israeli soldier prevented a cameraman from covering an anti-Israeli demonstration Monday in Hebron, on the occupied West Bank.

Dow at Highest Since Collapse

NEW YORK (UPI) — The Dow Jones industrial average of 30 stocks jumped 48.41 points Monday to 2,071.62, its highest closing since the stock market collapse on Oct. 19.

Dealers on the New York Stock Exchange said investors were cheered by signs that the U.S. economy is growing at a moderate but steady pace.

Dow Close	The Dollar in New York
2071.62	DM 1.8875
Up 48.41	FF 5.7145

A Key Générale Stake Goes to de Benedetti

By Jacques Neher
Special to The Herald Tribune

PARIS — The Italian financier Carlo de Benedetti got a valuable boost Monday in his fight for Société Générale de Belgique when he teamed up with two of Belgium's most prominent businessmen.

In the process, one of his new partners, the industrialist André Laysen, surrendered his crucial 2.2 percent stake in Générale, moving Mr. de Benedetti closer to taking over Belgium's largest company.

The new alliance, analysts said, could help Mr. de Benedetti splinter a rival French-Belgian investor group that has been battling for six weeks for Générale. It also might present a more politically palatable solution for the company's future in Belgium.

Mr. de Benedetti's French investment arm, Cerus, signed an agreement Sunday night with Mr. Laysen, who is chairman of Générale NV, and Pierre Scholier, chairman of the holding company Cobequa, to form a new investment company, with Générale stock as its principal holding. The alliance seeks the participation of other Générale shareholders.

The deal called for Mr. Laysen to sell his shares to a third party friendly to Cerus, thus pushing Mr. de Benedetti's stake in Générale past 47 percent, sources said.

Mr. Laysen, who earlier headed an effort to block Mr. de Benedetti's attempt, said that the ongoing drama — which he jokingly referred to as "Dallas Without Women" — had gone on long enough.

"All parties seem to realize that," he said, "and Cerus in its new role will do everything so that harmony is restored in the shortest possible time."

Cobequa, the Belgian subsidiary of the French investment bank Paribas, owns about 30 percent of Cerus and is its largest shareholder.

The rival French-Belgian group, led by Compagnie Financière de Suez, has brushed aside Mr. Laysen's olive branch and reaffirmed the claim it made last week that it holds 52 percent of Générale stock.

"Mr. de Benedetti's alliance with Belgians is good for him," a Suez spokesman said, "but it doesn't change the fact that we still have 52 percent."

Mr. Laysen, from the Flemish-speaking part of Belgium, is a former president of the Belgium employers' association. Mr. Scholier of Cobequa, from the French-speaking area, wields financial power in Brussels.

"These two men could give substantial added value to Mr. de Benedetti's bid," said Luc Van den Brande, a dealer at Peterbroeck.

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In Strike-Beset Italy, the Party's Over

By Loren Jenkins
Washington Post Service

ROME — All roads may lead to Rome, but these days they are harder and harder to travel.

Barely a day goes by without one of the major access routes to The Eternal City being blocked by strikes or demonstrations.

Not only Rome is affected. As Senator Nino Andreatta, a leading economist, said, "The party is over in Italy."

Realities long ignored, or swept under the rug, such as the economic demands of the constantly striking airline pilots, baggage handlers, railway workers and even traffic cops, are going to have to be dealt with if the roads to Rome are to be reopened before the all-important tourist season bursts upon the country in the spring.

If they are not dealt with, Mr. Andreatta said, then life in Rome, as well as in the rest of Italy, will be characterized by uncertainty and turmoil — not by the certainty and stability that it seemed to have achieved at last only a few years ago.

On any given day, a labor dispute at Leonardo da Vinci International Airport, or a wildcat strike on the national railway may prevent tourists from entering the city.

Even when air and rail routes are open, the streets of Caesar's ancient city are subject to daily blockages from protest marches.

Having heard in recent years that a newly dynamic Italy has surpassed Britain to become the fifth largest industrial economy in the world, residents of Rome are wondering why more benefits of this success have not drifted down to them.

Life has become harder, not easier, they say. Officially, inflation was said to be a modest 5.3 to 5.5 percent last year, but Romans bitterly complain that life is at once much more expensive and less satisfying.

The fact is that Rome, so recently hailed for its prosperity and livability, has fallen on hard times.

Life is, in fact, a battle most days. Romans complain that it begins when they leave their homes to try to get to city center offices, Romans love to argue, complain and, when push comes to shove, demonstrate their unhappiness by strikes or protest marches — or, as the Red Brigades terrorists proved in the 1970s, worse. With rents having doubled or tripled in the past five years, the price of a normal meal in a simple trattoria having jumped from the equivalent of less than \$10 to \$30 or more and the cost of stylish clothes — that mark of a true Roman — having at least doubled in the past decade, Romans are far from happy.

[Hundreds of secular Vatican employees said on Monday that they would refuse pay for three hours' work in protest at a change in the way they receive their salaries, Reuters reported.]

The employees, who continued to work normally, were protesting a decision to shift salary payment from the beginning to the end of the month. They said they would ask the Vatican to give their pay to a charity fighting world hunger. The Vatican called the protest "totally unacceptable."

The city's problems, of course, are not entirely of its own making. They reflect a more general national retrogression that is both political and economic, the results of the winding down of the economic boom of the early 1980s. Like the U.S. economy during the Reagan presidency, Italy's boom was fueled in no small measure on a mushrooming national debt to offset a widening trade deficit that last year alone ran at close to \$7 billion, or more than twice the 1986 figure.

The bubble had to burst, and it seems to have done so, plunging Italy back into the sort of social morass that gave it the appellation of the "sick man of Europe" before the boom years.

continues through the day as they are forced to waddle with the city's ever more demonic bureaucracy and ends only after they get home at night after being subjected to bad-tempered shopkeepers, including traffic and acid pollution.

By nature, Romans are used to putting up with the indignities that fate inflicts. After all, they have lived through everything from invasions of barbarians to occupation by German troops. But they do not accept these indignities with grace, and that is the problem.

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Marcos Exile Could End, Officials Say

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

MANILA — President Ferdinand E. Marcos may be allowed to return to the Philippines from Hawaiian exile if he agrees to recognize President Corason C. Aquino and settles charges against him, officials said on Monday.

Mr. Marcos, in an interview with a Manila radio station, said he is prepared to appoint representatives "to negotiate the details and conditions" under which he and his family will return.

"We will never be short in our sacrifices even at the cost of our lives, fortune and honor as we have demonstrated repeatedly," Mr. Marcos said by telephone from his Honolulu residence.

Mrs. Aquino's press secretary, Teodoro Benigno, said that Mrs. Aquino sent two relatives — both members of Congress — to meet Mr. Marcos in Honolulu in January after receiving the first official message from the deposed ruler indicating his desire to return home.

Mr. Benigno said there has been no official response to Mr. Marcos's request, conveyed to Representatives Egidio Tanjauto and Francisco Sumulong.

Mrs. Aquino herself said, "Not yet," when asked by reporters if she would allow Mr. Marcos to return.

Mr. Tanjauto, a cousin of Mrs. Aquino, said that he met Mr. Marcos on Jan. 26. "We met only once," Mr. Tanjauto said. "The meeting was between him and myself only. During the meeting, Mr. Marcos reiterated to me his desire to return to the Philippines at the earliest opportunity."

Mr. Marcos issued a statement saying: "We welcome the sincere and honest efforts by the present Philippine government to invite all political factions to organize one united political structure supporting the civil government and the armed forces of the Philippines to solve the crisis of insurgency and economic collapse without bloodshed and violence."

"We must recognize the achievements of the present government. See MARCOS, Page 8

Issue of Conventional Forces Is a Priority at NATO Summit

By Joseph Fitchett
International Herald Tribune

PARIS — The most significant emerging issue for Western leaders at the NATO summit meeting this week is the prospect of East-West negotiations on reducing conventional forces in Europe.

A reduction in the ability of the Warsaw Pact to launch an all-out attack would be a watershed for postwar Europe.

"The central problem of European security lies in the Warsaw Pact's conventional superiority," the West German foreign minister, Hans-Dietrich Genscher, said recently. Underlining Western hopes for conventional talks, President François Mitterrand of France said this weekend that "the two blocs are engaged in an overall disarmament process for the first time since World War II."

Western leaders say that conventional arms talks will be "the litmus test" of the intention of Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, to ease tension in Europe.

For Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Britain, "the crying need in arms control is to get down Soviet conventional superiority." She told NATO officials last week to concentrate on this possibility and freeze any further nuclear arms cuts in the meantime.

The complexity of conventional negotiations makes their potential promise. The East-West talks about troop cuts in Europe, known as the Multilateral Balanced Force Reductions, have lasted 15 years without sending home one soldier from the front in Central Europe.

In search of a more constructive approach, diplomats and analysts have worked for months on complex questions, including:

- How many troops and what kinds of weapons do the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and

the Warsaw Pact have in Europe and how should one assess their relative strengths?

- What should the West's objectives be? Is it enough for Moscow to pull back troops or are Soviet tanks the main Western worry?
- Who should conduct the negotiations on behalf of the West? Most previous disarmament talks have been bilateral affairs involving the superpowers, but more than 20 nations are to take part in conventional talks about Europe.

NATO is expected to agree on some of these issues at the summit meeting, which starts Wednesday.

Karsten G. Voigt, a West German defense specialist, said, "We are converging — at least we, the United States and Britain — on agreement that we want to eliminate categories of weapons that provide the capability for surprise attack or for terrain-seizing."

The objective, he said, is to move away from the old approach of counting troops, used in the troop-reduction talks, and seek instead to scrap armaments that give soldiers their firepower.

"We need to go beyond bean-counting to capture qualitative factors — how modern is their equipment, how ready are their units, how reliable are the troops," said a specialist at RAND Corp., a U.S. research institute.

Whatever the approach, the Soviet Union will be asked to accept "large asymmetrical cuts" in its forces, according to Alton G. Keel, U.S. ambassador to NATO.

"Large," he said, means "much larger cuts than NATO makes" and also "large in absolute numbers."

In other words, the Soviet Union will be asked to scrap 20 or 30 divisions in exchange for Western cuts of four or five divisions.

But Western governments have yet to agree among themselves

about the East-West balance of forces in Europe.

Estimates of the East-West balance vary widely. The International Institute of Strategic Studies in London says, for example, that the Warsaw Pact has a 3.5-to-1 advantage in tanks, while the West German Defense Ministry says the edge is less than 2 to 1.

These discrepancies in statistics can be overcome, disarmament experts say, by military inspections to warn either side of preparations for an attack.

Once talks start, they need not take years, said John Steinbrunner, research director at the Brookings Institute in Washington, D.C. He said, "I could 'trade' some attack aircraft for Soviet tank and artillery divisions."

Before the bargaining can start, however, Western nations must agree on how to organize the allied bargaining position. Agreement on this, called a mandate, was blocked for months by a dispute between the United States and France, which is joining conventional arms control talks for the first time. It boycotted the troop-reduction talks because they were conducted under the auspices of NATO and the Warsaw Pact.

The "conventional stability talks" will involve 23 nations — 16 from NATO and seven from the Warsaw Pact — and they in turn will consult with the other 12 neutral or nonaligned nations that belong to the 35-nation Committee on Security Cooperation in Europe, established by the Helsinki Conference in 1973.

France has insisted on having the talks cover all of Europe "from the Atlantic to the Urals" to emphasize their larger aim, of eventually eliminating the East-West division of Europe.

Europe's Military Alliances



Now, the Soviet SS-20 Perambulator

Washington Post Service

MOSCOW — A high-ranking official in the defense industry of the Soviet Union announced in the Supreme Soviet on Monday that he plans to beat Russian bombs into baby carriages.

Holding aloft a photo of a fancy new perambulator, Sergei Shuklin, a leader of the Defense Industry Workers' Trade Union, told generals and Central Committee members that the INF Treaty with the United States means "we are now transferring the Votkinsk Machine Building Plant from military production to 'peace production, to a people's economy.'"

He said that the Votkinsk plant, in the Urals, will switch from building SS-20s to baby carriages.

"Are you sure you will be able to meet demand?" one committee member shouted. Carriages and other baby equipment are in short supply in the Soviet Union. "We will do our best to see that you have no complaints," Mr. Shuklin said.

He also said that other conversions are under way. The Votkinsk plant is also producing washing machines ("probably 400,000 a year," Mr. Shuklin said), a plant in Petropavlovsk will make bicycles, and an enterprise in Volgograd is building underwater oil-drilling equipment.

Then the chairman of the committee, Gyorgy Kornienko, announced that he himself was the proud owner of a Votkinsk washing machine and was "quite satisfied with its performance."

WORLD BRIEFS

Iran and Iraq Trade Strikes on Cities; Tehran Asks UN to Help Stop Raids

NICOSIA (Reuters) — Iran said that Iraqi jets bombed residential areas in Tehran on Monday, killing or wounding several people. Iraq had vowed to retaliate after two Iranian missiles hit Baghdad on Monday, saying that the strikes had caused many civilian casualties.

The Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored here, said that a hospital had been hit in Tehran, and Tehran radio said that bombs fell in several areas of the capital. Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati of Iran asked the United Nations on Monday to take urgent action to stop the Iraqi attacks, Tehran radio reported.

In a letter to the UN secretary-general, Javier Pérez de Cuellar, Mr. Velayati said Iran would have no choice but to continue reprisals if attacks by Baghdad on population centers were not halted. A government statement read on Tehran radio ordered all ministries, schools and public institutions to have their air raid shelters and basements ready for use around the clock.

Iran said that it had fired three missiles at military and communications targets in Baghdad on Monday in reprisal for Iraqi air attacks that killed at least 28 civilians in Iran since Saturday.

Bokassa Death Sentence Commuted

BANGUI, Central African Republic (AP) — President André Kolingba commuted the death sentence that was imposed on the former Emperor Jean-Bédel Bokassa to life imprisonment in solitary confinement, the national radio reported Monday.

The Mr. Bokassa lost his appeal to the Supreme Court last November. He had been convicted in June of ordering the murder of at least 20 political opponents. He also was convicted of diverting huge sums from the national treasury.

General Kolingba, who is reported to be opposed to capital punishment, had commuted all previous death sentences imposed in the former French colony. Mr. Bokassa was living in exile in France when he slipped away and flew back to Bangui in 1986 to "vindicate himself" before the Central African people. He had been convicted in absentia and sentenced to death in 1980, but on his return he was arrested and retried on charges of murder, cannibalism and embezzlement.

China Denies Gromyko Story on Mao

BEIJING (Reuters) — China denied Monday that Mao Zedong sought to lure U.S. troops into the Chinese heartland and massacre them with nuclear weapons.

The soon-to-be-published memoirs of President Andrei A. Gromyko of the Soviet Union assert that Mao tried to enroll Soviet help for the plan. The New York Times said last week.

The newspaper reported that Mr. Gromyko, who was Soviet foreign minister from 1957 to 1985, said he traveled to Beijing in August 1958 to reject the plan. He quoted Mao as saying that even if a nuclear war wiped out 300 million Chinese, there would still be enough Chinese left to hold off intruders. The Chinese Foreign Ministry said in a brief statement that Mr. Gromyko's "recollection and related description do not square with facts."

Gandhi Offers India Austerity Budget

NEW DELHI (NYT) — Faced with India's worst economic slump in eight years, the government of Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi proposed a budget Monday containing tough austerity measures coupled with emergency relief for the rural poor.

Among the proposals were tax increases and surcharges that officials said were needed to help pay for rising food subsidies, military spending and programs for those hurt by what has been called the worst drought in modern Indian history.

This followed increases in the prices of rail travel, postage, gasoline and other items, all also aimed at increasing government revenues.

Sihanouk Rescinds His Resignation

BEIJING (AP) — Prince Norodom Sihanouk has reversed his decision to resign the leadership of the Cambodian resistance coalition, his secretary said Monday.

Prince Sihanouk will continue a yearlong leave of absence as head of the coalition, a leave he began in May last year, his secretary, Ditha Mackintosh, said. She said she did not know the reason for the reversal.

He resigned Jan. 30 as president of the three-party coalition fighting to end the Vietnamese occupation of Cambodia. At the time, he accused his partners, the Communist Khmer Rouge and the non-Communist Khmer People's National Liberation Front, of trying to discredit him and undermine his efforts to negotiate a settlement with the government installed by Vietnam in Phnom Penh.

Impeachment Trial Opens in Arizona

PHOENIX, Arizona (AP) — The state Senate opened the impeachment trial Monday of Governor Evan Mecham, whose 13 months in office have also been scarred by a recall effort and a criminal indictment.

Senate leaders said they would spend up to two months hearing testimony and arguments before deciding whether the governor, a Republican, should be removed. He is accused of trying to conceal a campaign loan, of borrowing \$80,000 in state funds for his automobile dealership, and of trying to thwart an investigation of allegations that a state official made a death threat against a former aide who testified about the loan.

Mr. Mecham, 63, has denied all the charges. He also faces a March 22 criminal trial on six felony charges of concealing the \$350,000 campaign loan, and a May 17 recall election. He temporarily surrendered his office to the Democratic secretary of state, Rose Mofford, after he was impeached Feb. 5 on a 46-14 House vote.

Budget Cuts Delay SDI Deployment

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — Plans for initial deployment of a space-based U.S. anti-missile defense have been set back as much as two years, until after the mid-1990s, due to budget cuts, the director of the program said on Monday.

"We have tried to cut down and build at a reasonable rate from where we are," Lieutenant General James A. Abrahamson said. "It's the sum of all those cuts that add up to that year, year and a-half, perhaps two years," he said. General Abrahamson stressed that President Ronald Reagan's Strategic Defense Initiative was "still a very, very high priority program."

Former Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger had said he hoped for initial deployment of ground-based interceptor rockets combined with a space-based tracking system by around 1994.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Continental Seeks West Berlin Hub

HOUSTON (AP) — Continental Airlines has filed an application with air attachés in West Berlin to open a hub in the city to serve destinations in West Germany and other parts of Europe.

The airline, which is based in Houston, is seeking permission to serve several West German cities, including Cologne, Düsseldorf, Frankfurt and Stuttgart, as well as London and Paris, a Continental vice president said. The proposal was filed 10 days ago and is expected to be acted on in several months, a Houston newspaper reported Monday.

Britain Sets Safety Rules for Ferries

LONDON (Reuters) — Britain introduced new safety rules Monday for ferries crossing the Channel, responding to the Herald of Free Enterprise accident last year in which nearly 200 people died.

Ferry companies started issuing boarding passes and, beginning Tuesday, it will be illegal for a captain to let his ferry leave its berth without closing the bow doors through which vehicles board and disembark. The captain of the British-owned Herald of Free Enterprise, which loaded over minutes after leaving the Belgian port of Zeebrugge, did not know the doors were open.

Air France is to start daily flights between Paris and the southern English port of Southampton on March 28, the carrier announced Monday. Air France also is to begin serving Newcastle and Glasgow in March. (AP)

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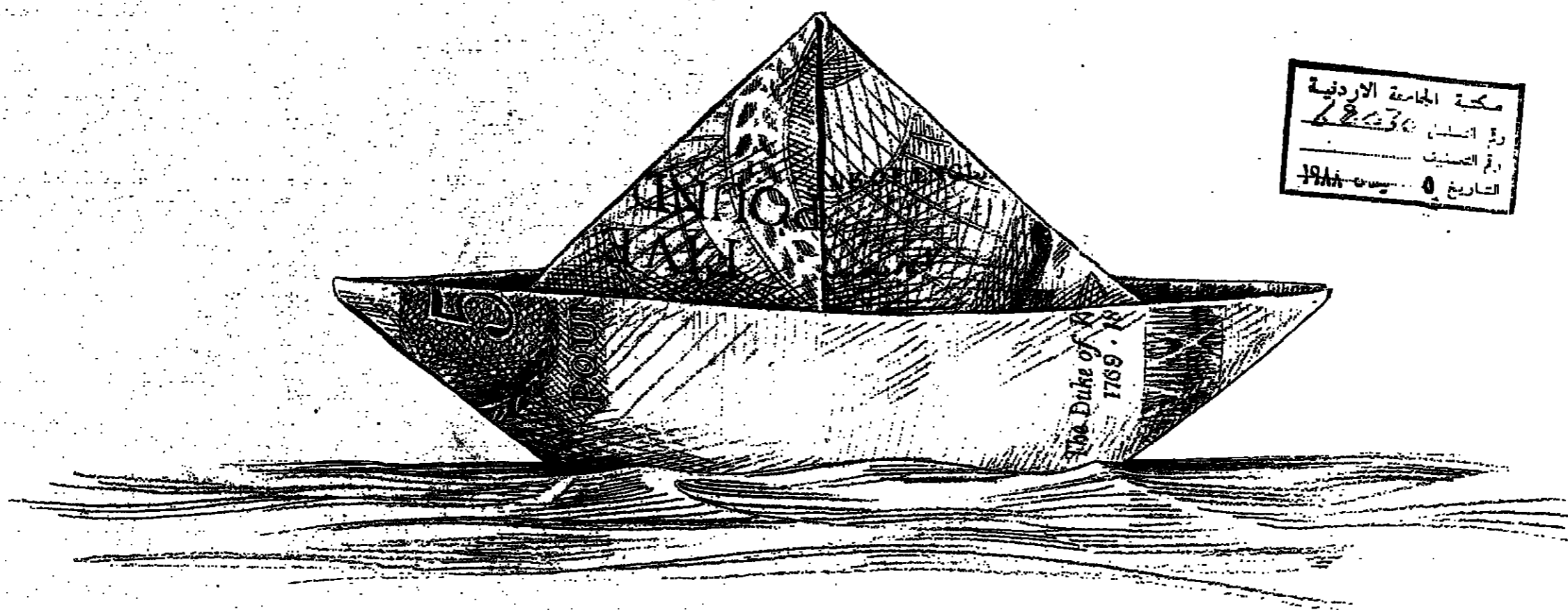
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Solutions for Debt

Item: With help from Morgan Guaranty, Mexico promotes a plan to exchange some of its foreign bank debt for securities backed by U.S. bonds.

Pressures on Noriega

It is high noon in Panama. President Eric Delvalle, written off as the puppet of the military strongman Manuel Noriega, privately demanded that he step down.

Yes but No to Refugees

In Moscow, the U.S. secretary of state won a Soviet promise to let more émigrés out. In Washington, meanwhile, the Reagan administration proposed a budget that would cut by a quarter the funds for resettling refugees in the United States.

Other Comment

On Camera. Warts and All

The Israeli government must feel it is paying a heavy political price for the considerable freedom allowed to television crews covering the Arab riots in the West Bank and Gaza and the sometimes deplorable methods used to quell them.

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OPINION



NATO: Reduce and Modernize at the Same Time

CAMBRIDGE, Massachusetts — Since the INF Treaty, an argument has erupted in NATO on what to do about U.S. and Soviet short-range nuclear weapons in Europe.

Cities Revived When the Immigrant Flow Resumed

NEW YORK — The latest story was about Cubans bringing New Jersey's Union City back to life. Before that there were the young Asian semiprofessionals in the Westinghouse science competition in Queens, New York.

Higgins: A Strange Posting for an Inviting Target

WASHINGTON — "This was a case of gross mismanagement, and not necessarily by the Marine Corps," said Robert McFarlane, a retired marine lieutenant colonel and the former national security adviser.

The Bloc Offers Real Talk at Last

BERLIN — Perhaps the most significant of the changes that have taken place in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe since 1985 is that people there now speak openly and honestly about their situations and about the East's relationship to the West.

They speak as intelligent men and women, prepared to listen to what others say and to make constructive responses. These people, members of the Soviet and East European "menklatura," now say openly that their system is in crisis, or at least in "a pre-crisis condition."

They are optimistic about the future of the Soviet Union — but of course they can hardly afford to envisage the alternative. The East Europeans are pessimistic, knowing that the real answer for their countries is to adopt the Western system in one or another of its capitalist, social market or social democratic versions.

They recognize that Germany remains the natural great power of Central Europe and that no future is imaginable for East-Central Europe in which Germany does not play a major role.

100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1888: Alexander's Tomb. CONSTANTINOPLE — Further examination of the sarcophagi recently discovered at Saïda, in Syria, shows that among them is the sarcophagus of Alexander the Great, containing the body of the monarch.

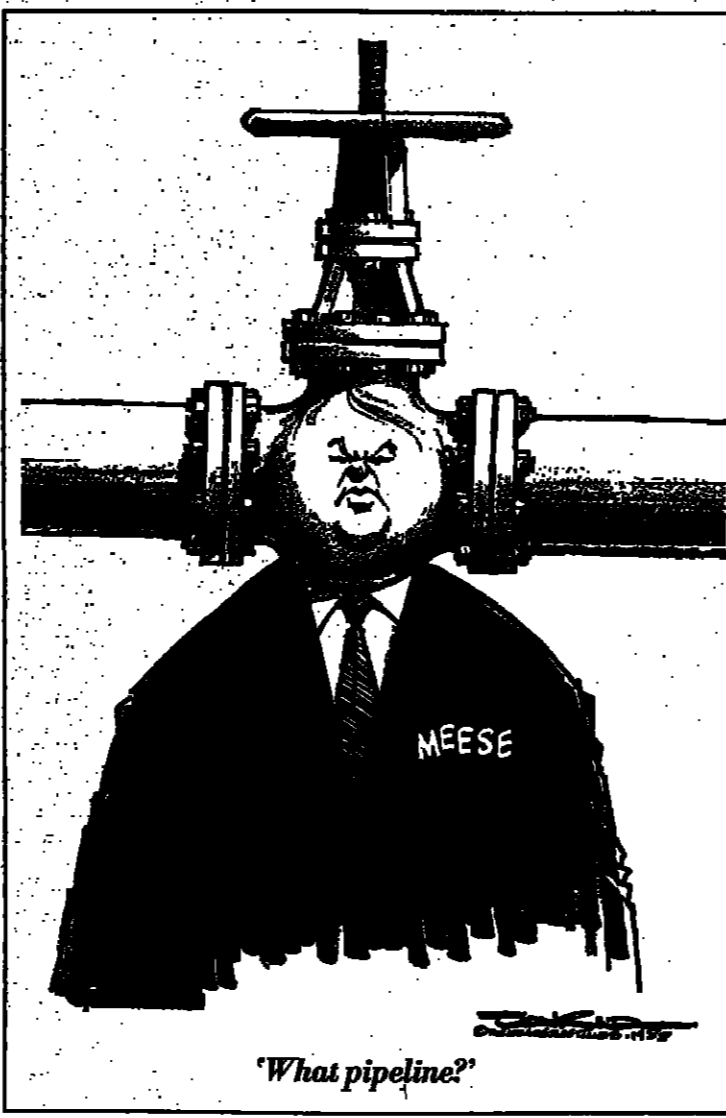
OPINION

A Telltale Aroma Is Rising In The Iraqi Pipeline Affair

By Anthony Lewis

BOSTON — The newly published correspondence of Attorney General Edwin Meese raises legal questions about Mr. Meese's behavior. But no lawyers are needed to understand the essential character of those documents.

The letters and memoranda on the Iraqi pipeline project have an unmistakable aroma. They show that people desiring to deal with the U.S. government on a high matter of state approached the Reagan administration as would someone trying to get a sewer contract from a two-bit city government.



'What pipeline?'

An Uninteresting Case of Medical Murder

By Charles Krauthammer

WASHINGTON — There is a doctor on the loose, in Illinois it appears, who is either a gross fabricator or a killer. My guess is that he is a fabricator, in which case he need not go to jail.

Exactly once in 14 years—but because it is morally impossible. Not even the most progressive euthanasia enthusiast would mercy kill this way. Only a psychopath would. And psychopaths are not known for their propensity to confess.

MEANWHILE

describe how he made up this story to shake doctors out of their lethargy, expose society's hypocrisy about euthanasia, force people to confront the issue of death with dignity, etc.

Narcotics: Make Them Legal, or Coordinate the War

In response to "Drugs: How Not to Have a Healthy Neighborhood" and "Local Officials Only Map Up" (Opinion, Feb. 16): Drugs are all about money. Today's governments, deficit-ridden and hand-pressed to meet their budgets, cannot afford the immense sums for recruitment and enforcement that an all-out war on drugs requires.

er countries, and will clearly not go away simply because billions of dollars are being thrown at them. Since 1973 the Colombo Plan, an organization of 26 mostly Asian countries, has helped governments write better legislation; mobilize public and private resources in a coordinated effort; stress treatment and rehabilitation (very costly but necessary measures) instead of imprisonment; establish a national coordinating agency with access — never enough, it seems — to financial and other resources; and, above all, produce an effective campaign to make everyone fully aware of the dangers of drug abuse and involvement in trafficking.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

thing dreadful or asinine." Mr. Baker seems to misunderstand the cause-and-effect relationship between integrity and chances of electoral victory. Throughout his campaign, Bruce Babbitt spoke his mind, risking votes by telling people of the realities they did not want to face.

the ladder of achievement." I find this poem by Emily Dickinson apposite: 'I'm Nobody! Who are you? Are you Nobody, too? Then there's a pair of us! How dreary to be Somebody! How public, like a Frog To tell one's name the livelong June To an admiring Bog!'

Good Plan, but Not Yet Regarding "Visiting Florence: Don't Plan to Drive" (Feb. 13) by Barry James: The new provision by the city authorities to bar traffic from the historic center (where I live) is a little step to improve our lives. We will be able to breathe some air and not only gas. But we aren't ready! There is no parking, insufficient and inefficient bus service, and, maybe more important, people here don't have the mentality to do without cars.

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Republicans Spar On Familiar Issues In Southern Debate

By David E. Rosenbaum New York Times Service

ATLANTA — The Republican presidential candidates disagreed on trade and budget policy but broke little new ground in their last debate before the Southern primaries and caucuses begin this week.

On an issue especially important in the South, Senator Bob Dole of Kansas and Pat Robertson, the former religious broadcaster, argued Sunday for stiff limits on textile imports.

The candidates are paying a disproportionate amount of attention to South Carolina, where a Republican primary will be held Saturday, three days before 14 other Southern and border states and three states outside the region hold Republican nominating contests.

Opposing textile quotas, Mr. Bush said: "I don't think we ought to go down the protection road. I don't want to see retaliation. I don't want to see our agricultural exports go down."

Mr. Kemp agreed, saying that "barriers to trade" would "cause a trade war."

But Senator Dole said the candidates should be "sensible" and "realistic."

"Japan and Taiwan and South Korea already block Florida oranges and Georgia peaches and Alabama watermelons," the Senate Republican leader said.

The candidates seemed somewhat more subdued in Sunday's debate than they had in some previous encounters. Polls across the South show Mr. Bush well ahead.

Senator Dole and Mr. Robertson are hoping to win delegates in selected areas to hold down the vice president's share.

On budgetary matters, Senator Dole emphasized his opposition to higher taxes. "I have been leading the efforts to reduce taxes," he asserted.

The senator is the only Republican candidate who has said he would even consider certain tax increases to lower the federal budget deficit.

Eleventh-hour commercials by Mr. Bush saying that Senator Dole would raise taxes are thought to have played a large part in the vice president's solid victory in the New Hampshire primary last month.

Mr. Kemp, apparently trying to seize the offensive, accused Mr. Bush and the senator of having supported "every single tax increase in the last eight years."

Debate in Houston Michael S. Dukakis and Richard A. Gephardt were criticized by their Democratic rivals for missing the second of two presidential debates, United Press International reported from Houston.

"I'm concerned that in debates like this we have too little time to focus on the new South's economic and environmental challenges," the Reverend Jesse L. Jackson said at the televised Texas forum Sunday night.

"These are issues of substance," he complained to the National Association of Television Program Executives. "The agony for me," he added, "is that we are trapped in these 90-second sound bites, trying to say something of substance."

Senator Paul Simon of Illinois and Gary Hart of Colorado generally agreed with that assessment, leaving Senator Albert Gore Jr. of Tennessee — who has staked his entire campaign on a strong showing in next week's Super Tuesday elections — defending the process that has led to an overflow of special-issue forums.

"I'm for more debates," Senator Gore said. "With technology we can communicate simultaneously with millions on the issues of the day."

"I really think it is unfortunate that Richard Gephardt and Michael Dukakis chose to skip this debate," Senator Gore said. "The candidates chose to turn their backs on Texas."



Democratic presidential candidates — from left: Gary Hart, Albert Gore, Paul Simon and Jesse L. Jackson — debating in Houston.

In Surprise, Jackson Runs 2d in Maine Caucuses

United Press International

PORTLAND, Maine — The Reverend Jesse L. Jackson ran a surprisingly strong second to Governor Michael S. Dukakis in the Maine Democratic presidential caucus, while Vice President George Bush apparently won all 22 of the state's national convention delegates in the Republican caucuses.

Mr. Jackson won narrow victories Sunday in Portland and Bangor, the state's largest and third-largest cities. Mr. Dukakis, of Massachusetts, won in Lewiston, the second-largest city.

With 76 percent of the cities and towns reporting, Mr. Dukakis had won 43 percent of the available delegates to the state convention and Mr. Jackson 27 percent.

Another 20 percent were officially neutral. The remainder were divided among four other candidates.

"We consider this to be an overwhelming victory," said Ivan Suzzman, a Jackson spokesman in Maine.

Maine's delegates to the national nominating conventions will be selected at state party conventions this spring. The Democrats will send 27 national delegates.

State Democratic officials said the caucus tally likely would result in the selection of about 12 national delegates for Mr. Dukakis, six for Mr. Jackson and five uncommitted. Four more delegates, to be appointed, are expected to follow the statewide preference.

An unofficial count by the Bush campaign, with 212 towns reporting, showed Mr. Bush had won 583 state convention delegates to 128 for Pat Robertson, the former television evangelist.

Gore Shifts Pitch to Blue-Collar Whites

By E.J. Dionne Jr. New York Times Service

ATLANTA — Senator Albert Gore Jr., acknowledging that his presidential campaign has lacked a clear focus, has begun a major effort to redefine his quest for the presidency as a battle for "average working men and women."

Mr. Gore's strategic shift — he calls it a "refinement" — is reflected in a revised stump speech and in new television commercials scheduled to begin airing this week.

The new appeal is aimed in large part at preventing Representative Richard A. Gephardt of Missouri from cornering the market on the votes of blue-collar whites in the Democratic race. Mr. Gore is cast as the champion of working folks, intent on doing "what is best for the little guy."

The appeal reflects the new dynamics of the Southern primaries of March 8, which has been dubbed "Super Tuesday" because those will be the largest group of contests in the 1988 campaign.

Mr. Gore, a Tennesseean, has set his presidential hopes on the 11 states in the South and bordering it that will be among the 20 voting in Democratic primaries or caucuses that day. He wanted the balloting to have a regional cast, a contest in which Mr. Gore would be the Southerner with a tough-minded view on national defense running against Northern liberals.

Instead, a regional battle has been transformed into a two-front class war. On the one side, Mr. Gephardt is seeking blue-collar ballots with tough-sounding attacks on the trading practices of South Korea, Japan, and West Germany. On the other side, Mr. Gore finds himself battling Governor Michael S. Dukakis of Massachusetts for the votes of upwardly mobile, more liberal white Southerners, many of whom were born outside the region.

The third front of the Southern war, the battle for the black vote, is quiet, since everybody concedes most of it to the Reverend Jesse L. Jackson.

On the two active fronts, each of the three main contenders is trying to prove that he is the toughest candidate.

Mr. Gephardt is clearly threatening Mr. Gore in the South with a series of TV commercials, includ-

ing a new one that specifically criticizes Mr. Dukakis and Mr. Gore for not being willing to stand up to the country's trading partners.

The biggest problem for Mr. Gore is that Mr. Gephardt shifted the ground of the campaign. Mr. Gore had hoped to focus the debate on foreign policy and to present himself as the candidate with the toughest stand toward the Soviet Union. Instead, Mr. Gephardt has begun to pre-empt the toughness issue by making nationalism an economic question.

The Gore campaign waxes furious as Mr. Gephardt's appeal. Fred Martin, Mr. Gore's campaign manager, acknowledges that Mr. Gephardt has tapped into "the anger and anxieties of a certain segment of the electorate." But he says Mr. Gephardt's answer is protectionism. "The ad does not mention Mr. Gephardt, but future ads might."

Nonetheless, Mr. Gore and his aides knew that something needed to be done, and they have shifted the campaign sharply, from foreign policy to economics.

To carry out the transformation, Mr. Gore hired Raymond D. Strother, a veteran of Southern Democratic campaigns and of Gary Hart's 1984 presidential bid, to put together new television commercials.

The commercials present a tougher Al Gore, described by Mr. Strother as "gritty" and "very populist." Mr. Strother says the commercials are aimed mainly at lower-income white-collar workers and skilled blue-collar workers. They also are aimed directly at Mr. Gephardt.

Mr. Gore is trying to turn the success of the Gephardt campaign against Mr. Gephardt by suggesting that the Missourian's advocacy of the dispossessed is somehow manipulative and dishonest in view of his record.

"I've been consistently on the side of working men and women," Mr. Gore, 39, clad in a checked shirt and blue jeans, tells a group of oil refinery workers in one of the new commercials. "I didn't vote against the minimum wage and for corporate giveaways and then turn around when it came time to make television commercials and say exactly the opposite. I've been consistent." The ad does not mention Mr. Gephardt, but future ads might.

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Riots Erupt In Senegal After Report On Election

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

DAKAR, Senegal — President Abdou Diouf declared a state of emergency in the capital region Monday after riots broke out following reports that Mr. Diouf was winning a new five-year term with 77 percent of the vote.

A broadcast on national radio said that the declaration was "in response to grave troubles this morning" and that public meetings were banned and would be broken up.

Riot policemen fought running battles with students in the northern part of the capital, and students-throwing stones destroyed several buses, witnesses said. Elsewhere, the police used tear gas and rubber truncheons to break up groups of opposition partisans.

The radio said Mr. Diouf, who won 83.5 percent of the vote in the 1983 election, had received 77 percent in early returns. It said the leading opposition candidate, Abdou Wade of the Senegalese Democratic Party, had won 21 percent. Two other candidates divided the rest.

Opposition candidates said during Sunday's voting that Mr. Diouf's Socialist Party had handed out fraudulent voting cards to its supporters.

Election day was relatively calm but the University of Dakar was sealed off Monday as riot policemen smashed doors to force their way into campus buildings and obtained an undisclosed number of students.

According to witnesses, some students were dragged from bed and beaten up. Others said policemen shaved the heads of some students to identify them should they take part in future demonstrations.

Some managed to escape arrest and went on the rampage in surrounding areas, setting fire to vehicles, witnesses said.

Mr. Wade, 61, who is a lawyer and economist, has widespread support among Senegalese youths.

The headquarters of his party was raided Monday by policemen using armored vehicles and tear gas. A West German photographer working for an American news agency was held when scuffling broke out outside the building.

(A.P. Reuters)

Ex-General Runs For U.S. Senate

The Associated Press

TINTON FALLS, N.J. — Peter M. Dawkins, the former West Point football star who abruptly quit as a U.S. Army brigadier general in 1983 for a job on Wall Street, announced his candidacy Monday for New Jersey's Republican nomination for the U.S. Senate.

If he wins the party primary on June 7, as expected, Mr. Dawkins would face the Democratic incumbent, Frank R. Lautenberg, who will be seeking a second term.

Mr. Dawkins and Mr. Lautenberg already have raised millions for the campaign. Mr. Lautenberg was a very wealthy businessman before winning the Senate seat in 1982.

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Panama Opposition Fails to Get Support For General Strike

PANAMA CITY — A general strike called by Panamanian opposition leaders to demand the resignation of General Manuel Antonio Noriega, the country's military leader, failed Monday to gain widespread support.

The opposition National Civic Crusade coalition had called for an indefinite strike to force General Noriega to step down following the removal Friday of Eric Arturo Delvalle as president. Mr. Delvalle has been in hiding since Saturday.

On Monday, the police briefly detained Aurelio Barria, a leader of the Civic Crusade and head of the Chamber of Commerce.

Meanwhile, Manuel Solis Palma, who replaced Mr. Delvalle, lashed out at the United States, saving the president from Washington had led other nations to refrain from recognizing his government.

The Reagan administration has said it considers Mr. Delvalle to be the legitimate head of state and is studying nonmilitary ways of putting pressure on Panama to restore him to office.

Mr. Solis Palma, who had been education minister, was appointed president by the legislature, which removed Mr. Delvalle hours after he had dismissed General Noriega.

"We represent the constitutional order," Mr. Solis Palma said, "and this situation is not understood because of the huge propaganda by the United States."

He said at least 60 percent of Panamanians were working Monday as usual despite opposition claims that the country would be paralyzed by the strike.

Banks in Panama City functioned normally but several shops in the financial district, an opposition stronghold, were closed. Some businesses, such as car rental companies, provided partial service.

Public transport ran normally and there was no unusual police presence in the streets.

The University of Panama suspended classes in a statement expressing "grave concern for the national crisis."

An opposition leader, Roberto Brenes, said it was difficult to rally support for the strike because opposition media had been shut down since Friday.

"We shouldn't hope for too much," he said. "We know that it's not going to topple Noriega."

Limited U.S. Sanctions

Elaine Sciolino of *The New York Times* reported from Washington: President Ronald Reagan will not impose the maximum economic sanctions against Panama when he declares Tuesday that it and a number of other countries have failed to take adequate steps to control drug trafficking, according to senior administration officials.

Under a 1986 anti-drug law, Mr. Reagan is required to certify by March 1 whether countries where major drug trafficking occurs are "fully cooperating" in combating drug trafficking.

Mr. Reagan signed the order over the weekend to "decertify" Panama and several other countries for failing to take adequate steps to control drug trafficking, the officials said Sunday, but will not use his discretionary powers under the law to impose the maximum penalties.

Under the law, the United States must vote against all new loans to decertified countries by international development banks such as the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund and, in the case of Panama, to keep in place economic and military sanctions imposed last year.

But the law also gives the president discretionary power to impose a number of other sanctions. These include the barring of flights between the United States and Panama, the loss of preferential tariff treatment, and a 50 percent tax on all imports from Panama.

Some administration officials said they hoped to persuade the White House that Mr. Reagan must impose the full weight of sanctions under the law to send a clear signal of disapproval to General Noriega, who was indicted by federal grand juries in Florida on drug-trafficking and other charges in early February.

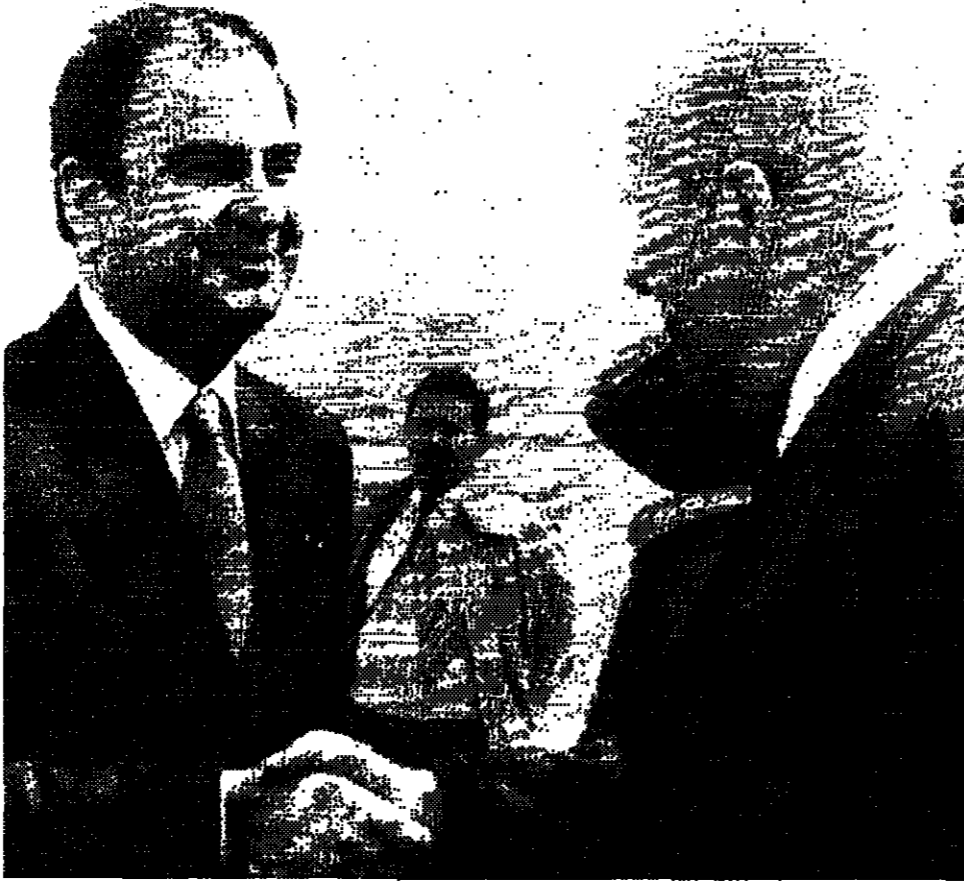
The decision to decertify Panama was made before Mr. Delvalle was deposed, U.S. officials said.

It was not immediately clear why Mr. Reagan decided not to use all the mechanisms. Some officials speculated that the administration wanted to retain the threat of sanction to place further pressure on General Noriega.

Dole Urges Trade Ban

Senator Bob Dole of Kansas, a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, called Monday for a trade embargo against Panama unless General Noriega agreed to step down within 30 days. Reuters reported from Washington.

"The United States has had enough of Noriega," Mr. Dole, the Senate minority leader, said in a statement. "And we must have nothing to do with any phony civilian, Noriega-puppet government."



George P. Shultz, right, being greeted Monday in Amman by Foreign Minister Taher al-Masri.

JORDAN: Amman Shifts on PLO

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known to have been killed by Israeli gunfire or beatings to at least 75.

"Look, these are things that are done in different parts of the world, in places where confrontations of this kind are taking place," Mr. Sharmir said Monday.

Syria expressed disappointment with Mr. Shultz's mediation effort, charging that American peace efforts in the Middle East are a "fig leaf" to keep the Palestinians "under Israeli hegemony."

The Syrian foreign minister, Farouk al-Shara, said the first high-level contact between Syria and the United States in five years has done little to improve relations between the two countries because U.S. policy remains "tightly attached to Israeli policy," he said.

The Syrian official did not go so far as to say Syria rejects Mr. Shultz's plan, and he agreed that his country wants to leave more room for further contacts with the United States.

Mr. Shultz held a two-hour meeting with Mr. al-Shara on Saturday, followed by a meeting with President Hafiz al-Assad.

Syrians Disappointed

Youssef M. Ibrahim of *The New York Times* reported Monday from Damascus:

Soldiers opened fire on stone-throwing protesters in the West Bank village of Buria, near Nablus, killing a youth identified as Yasser Eid, 18. A journalist on the scene said an officer used a rifle with a telescopic sight to fire into the crowd.

A second Palestinian, Ahmad Betawi, 30, died in a Tel Aviv hospital of wounds he received in clashes in Jenin on Thursday.

Israel has come under renewed international criticism for its handling of the riots after television videotape, shot by a CBS crew on Thursday, showed four soldiers methodically beating with rocks and kicking two handcuffed Palestinians.

"Nations that didn't open their mouths when we were brought to the slaughter are now going crazy at the sight of rioters getting their

Unrest Hurts Israeli Sales To Denmark

COPENHAGEN — Denmark's biggest grocery chain has decided to stop importing fruit and vegetables from Israel because of violence in the occupied territories, a spokeswoman for the importing arm of the company said on Monday.

"We've had problems with deliveries ever since the troubles down there began, and sales of Israeli goods go down," said Lis Norup, a spokeswoman for Irma AS groceries. The company is a subsidiary of the nationwide foodstuffs cooperative Brugsesen.

"Danes simply don't want to buy Israeli goods under present circumstances," Ms. Norup said.

Irma imports 40-million-kroner (\$6.25-million) worth of fruit and vegetables from Israel annually.

KIBBUTZ: Doubts Over Sons

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of values among young people," Mr. Bar said. "Now we cannot say how they will act in the situations they are placed in."

The comment reflected a wider concern about the impact of duty in the occupied territories among Israeli soldiers.

In casting around for an explanation, Mr. Bar seemed to suggest that the nature of the conflict was in part to blame, because it differed so sharply from those of the past.

In 1948, he said, the kibbutz had held off Israeli troops. After the 1967 war, when Israel captured the West Bank, Gaza and other territories, came the war of attrition waged across the Jordanian border.

"For three years, the children slept in the shelters here," Mr. Bar said. "Saguy was one of them."

Those wars, some Israelis say, were not so confused in style and conduct as the current conflict in the occupied territories. "I don't want my son to do this job," the sergeant's father, Yossi, said. "These are boys who have no spine of policy to back them up."

Television, too, has been widely blamed. In the kibbutz, for instance, many say that the soldiers beat the captives only after a five-hour battle during which Sergeant Harpaz's unit was stoned.

"A half-minute before" the beatings started, the sergeant's father told an Israeli newspaper, "he got a rock in the hand and he blacked out. Did they see that in the United States?"

The Israeli cameraman who filmed the incident, Moshé Alper, lives in the next kibbutz north, Afikim. Both places lie just south of the Sea of Galilee.

"Nobody justifies the soldiers," said Shimon Weisz, a reporter for the newspaper Davar, "but some say Moshé shouldn't have filmed it. They say he's betrayed us by filming it for foreigners and damaging Israel."

The cameraman is also reported to have received death threats from rightists. Another soldier from a different kibbutz, who asked not to be named, had a different outlook. "I had to be shown so that it can be stopped," he said.

Experts Rebut Reagan Claim Of 'Success' in War on Drugs

By Judith Havemann
Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — The war on drugs, President Ronald Reagan has proclaimed, "is an untold American success story," and the use of illegal drugs, according to Mr. Reagan, "has already gone out of style in the United States."

But as the White House Conference for a Drug Free America convened here Monday, critics of the Reagan administration's efforts to fight drug abuse said there was a large element of wishful thinking in Mr. Reagan's pronouncement.

On the two major fronts where the drug war has been waged, cutting supply and reducing demand, experts say they see something less than victory. They see slight signs of progress — at least among the middle class — on the demand side, but virtually none on supply.

"I don't think we've turned the corner on keeping illegal drugs out of the country," said Lois Haight Herrington, the chairman of the White House conference, "but we've stopped losing the battle for the American mind."

Mr. Reagan declared a national crusade against illegal drugs in October 1986. The Anti-Drug Abuse Act that he signed then provided \$1.7 billion in additional funds to improve drug enforcement, treatment and education programs. Administration officials have pointed to improvements, including the hiring of thousands of new federal agents and increases in arrests and drug seizures.

Critics, however, say that White House attention to the drug issue has waned.

"If we didn't have Nancy Reagan we wouldn't have anything,"

Reagan Called Wimp by Koch

NEW YORK — The murder of a young policeman led Mayor Edward I. Koch to say Monday that President Ronald Reagan was behaving like a "wimp" and demand the curtailment of aid to countries involved in the drug trade. He cited Mexico, Panama, the Bahamas, Haiti, Paraguay and Colombia.

The policeman, Edward Byrne, 22, was shot Friday as he sat in a police car outside the home of an immigrant who had complained to the police of drug dealing.

Mr. Koch said that the killing showed Mr. Reagan's war on drugs was a fraud. "The president is not acting as commander in chief," he said. "If anything, he is acting as a wimp."

He said that more than half of the coast guard anti-drug fleet is currently sitting idle at the dock, and that \$60 million was needed to increase drug patrols. "That money is tied up in the battle over spending priorities between the White House and Congress," he said.

Admiral Yost said that eight new planes that the coast guard was to receive under the terms of the 1986 legislation had not arrived.

A joint command, control, communications and intelligence center being built on coast guard land with Customs Service money will not be ready for another six months.

combating drugs during the Reagan administration, according to the Office of Management and Budget, the \$16.5 billion expended in the effort to cut the supply is said to have had little effect on the current drug of choice, cocaine.

said Representative Charles B. Rangel, Democrat of New York, the chairman of the Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control, in a reference to Mrs. Reagan's personal campaign against narcotics use.

"Advances in stopping drugs — we haven't made any," Mr. Rangel said.

Pakistan Sets Stance For Talks

By Henry Kamm
New York Times Service

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — In a flurry of national consultations, the government of President Mohammad Zia ul-Haq is developing Pakistan's negotiating position for the Geneva talks it hopes will lead to the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan.

On Saturday, the cabinet met under the chairmanship of Prime Minister Mohammad Khan Junejo to discuss Afghanistan. Sunday morning, the prime minister and Zain Noorani, the minister of state for foreign affairs and the head of the negotiating team, briefed the National Assembly and the Senate in closed sessions.

Sunday afternoon, the chambers met separately. Sunday evening, they held an exceptional joint, closed session to set forth their views on the talks this week in Geneva with the Afghan government.

What may be the final round of the "proximity talks" that began in 1982 is to open Wednesday. As in the past, the United Nations mediator, Diego Cordovez, will confer separately with the Pakistani and Afghan negotiators. Senior U.S. and Soviet diplomats are to remain out of sight but on call. Foreign Minister Abdul Waki is expected to head the Afghan negotiators.

A foreign diplomat said that even after a visit last week by Michael H. Armacost, the U.S. undersecretary of state for political affairs, it was evident that General Zia had not yet decided whether to sign the agreement to which the Soviet Union has linked a decision to withdraw its troops. Mr. Armacost reported to the Pakistani leader, Secretary of State George P. Shultz's meeting in Moscow last week with Mikhail S. Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze.

Mr. Gorbachev announced Feb. 8 that Moscow would begin the troop withdrawal, to be spread over 10 months, on May 15, if Pakistan and Afghanistan reached an accord by March 15. The issue for Pakistan is whether to sign the proposed agreement for the salvation of the country from the bloody takeover by Communist insurgents, the statement said.

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Women Abused in Jails In India, Study Shows

By Sanjoy Hazarika
New York Times Service

NEW DELHI — An official study of women in Indian prisons says many of them are beaten, sexually molested or otherwise harassed in custody.

It said most women prisoners live in overcrowded, unsanitary conditions and often rear their children in prison. The report said the difficulties of women prisoners are "an extension of the general indifference that Indian society shows to the woman."

More than 17 percent of all unconvicted women prisoners in India are mentally unstable and have been placed in jail despite a lack of mental health care, according to the report, which was submitted recently to the government by the National Expert Committee on Women Prisoners. The report attributes the practice to official callousness.

"It paints a very grim picture," said Margaret Alva, minister of state for human resources in Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi's government. Ms. Alva, who commissioned the report, said she had found that many women prisoners were "ignorant of their rights, and unaware that they could get bail."

Ms. Alva, a prominent spokeswoman for women's rights in India, said the stigma of a jail term sometimes ruined a woman's life because her family would refuse to welcome her back after release.

The report presents disturbing descriptions of life in prison for women. It was written by an 11-member committee, including seven women. The panel was headed by a former Supreme Court justice, and its members included prominent government officials, lawyers and a journalist.

Often, women preferred to stay in prison even after they were released because of social ostracism, the report said.

The number of women in Indian jails is small compared to the total prison population — about 4,000 of about 107,000 in 1985, the year for which the latest government figures are available. About 44,000 women are arrested every year, compared to more than 2 million men.

Separate prisons are available only for a quarter of the total population of women in jail. The others are housed in segregated wings of prisons for men.

During one visit, the chairman of the committee, V.K. Krishna Rao, noted that 15 women in one cell "had no access to any of the amenities — clothing, work education or even medical examination."

"There were no beds, bed sheets or pillows, just a cane mat," he added. "Human rights cannot survive in such jails."

The committee writes of "beating and specified tortures like hitting with bamboo sticks, straps, etc."

MARCOS: Exile May Be Ending

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ment of the present administration in being able to survive this long when many countries, especially those belonging to the Third World, have floundered and gone under water. For this we must openly and candidly congratulate the Aquino government.

"We are ready to appoint our representatives to negotiate the details and conditions under which my family and I shall return to the Philippines for the salvation of the country from the bloody takeover by Communist insurgents," the statement said.

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Rebel Amnesty Expires

Mrs. Aquino's amnesty for Communist and Muslim rebels expired on Monday and a presidential official said there were no plans to extend the offer. The Associated Press reported from Manila.

Kenya Chief Starts 3d Term

NAIROBI — President Daniel arap Moi of Kenya began a third five-year term Monday after being nominated unopposed by the country's only political party at a ceremony Saturday.

ARRESTS: Police Stop Tutu and Other Protesters

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government as "the usual bunch of rabble rousers."

The arrests came shortly after Archbishop Tutu and Mr. Boesak, addressing a protest service in St. George's Cathedral in central Cape Town, vowed to intensify church opposition to the government even if it meant imprisonment.

Mr. Boesak said Sunday in a service that the church would take a more activist role following the crackdown.

"Let us no longer pussyfoot around this issue," he said. "This is an illegitimate government that deserves no authority and does not have it." He added that the government "deserves no obedience and must not get it."

In July, the South African Council of Churches adopted a controversial report recognizing the use of force by liberation movements "as a means to end oppression."

Witnesses to the arrests Monday said that when the first group of church leaders and their supporters were barred by the police from entering Parliament Street, they knelt on the pavement and sang hymns. After warning the group that it could not demonstrate in the vicinity of Parliament, the police forced the protesters into vehicles and took them to a police station.

The second group, led by the Reverend Sydney Luckett, director of the Anglican Board of Social Responsibility, later marched to a line of police vehicles parked near the cathedral and demanded to see their leaders.

After the protesters sat down in the street, they were sprayed with water cannon and loaded into police vehicles. Several reporters and photographers also were detained. Archbishop Tutu told several hundred people in St. George's Cathedral, "We have gathered here as an act of witness and an act of protest against what the South African government did last week."



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An Invasion by Locusts Threatens North Africa

ROME — Northern Africa and the Sahel are threatened with an invasion by migratory locusts that have infested nearly a million hectares (2.47 million acres) in northern Mauritania, UN officials said Monday.

Officials of the Food and Agriculture Organization said that urgent treatment of 300,000 hectares in Mauritania was needed before March 15 to head off destruction of crops and grazing lands.

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Of the \$21.54 billion spent on the drug industry, use is up, inventions are down, and the price of the drug has never fallen, according to the new report from the U.S. Department of Justice, Narcotics Intelligence and Consumer Protection Committee Report and...

"There is greater awareness of the drug problem, and the price of the drug has never fallen," said Senator Dennis DeConcini, Democrat of Arizona, chairman of the effort to keep the drug program on a budget. The program is only being cut off.

Efforts to eradicate cocaine from the source, it is universally agreed, have failed. U.S. agencies, including the military, have been unable to eliminate cocaine smuggling from the land. State and local law enforcement officials are swamped. "We're not winning the war," said Admiral Paul Tost, the commander of the Coast Guard.

On the drug supply side, the report says that not enough has been done to control the source of the drug. More than half the cocaine is smuggled in the United States. The report says that \$60 million was spent to increase drug patrols. "This money is tied up in the battle over the House and Congress," he said. Admiral Tost said that eight planes that the coast guard received under the terms of the legislation had not arrived.

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The number of women in prison is small compared to the total population. In 1985, 107,000 men were in prison, while only 15,000 women were available. About 180 women are arrested every day compared to more than 2,000 men.

**Contra Aid Issue
Bedevils Congress**

**Neither Party Can Shape Its Policy
Amid Unresolved Cease-Fire Talks**

By Susan F. Rasky
New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — The vote that the House of Representatives is scheduled to take Thursday on the Nicaraguan aid bill is expected to be a tie, but the House and Senate are still far from a decision on the issue, according to congressional sources.

According to lawmakers in both parties, four years of debate on the issue has brought Congress no closer to a consensus on either increasing or terminating U.S. support for the contras. What has changed, or at least has promised change, is the decision by five Central American nations, including Nicaragua, to adopt a peace plan proposed last year by President Oscar Arias Sanchez of Costa Rica.

Under that plan, the contras and the Nicaraguan government have agreed to try to negotiate a cease-fire. The talks, which were suspended last month because the two sides were so far apart, are expected to resume in the next several weeks. Democratic and Republican leaders in the House are billing their aid packages as a form of leverage to ensure that a cease-fire is achieved.

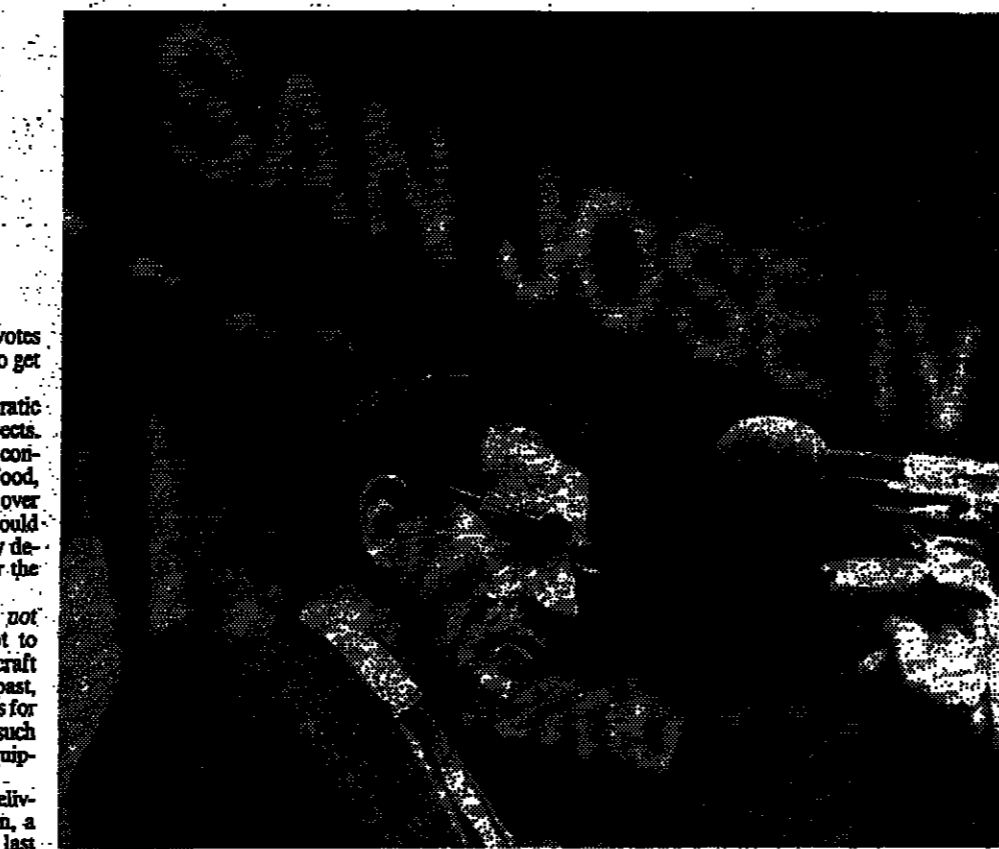
"This vote isn't going to win the war in Congress over the contra issue," said Representative David R. Obey, a liberal Democrat from Wisconsin, who helped draft the Democratic plan. "We are going to be voting on this time and again as long as Ronald Reagan is president."

The House Republican leader, Robert H. Michel of Illinois, agreed, adding that if there were a way to put the issue directly to the American public, he would. "Nothing is going to happen here until something significant happens down there," he said, referring to the cease-fire negotiations.

"Nobody knows how that peace process is going to go, and it's naive to think that the Sandinistas are going to give us the kind of peace and democratic reforms we want," Mr. Michel said. "Everything is on hold here."

Mr. Obey and Mr. Michel said the coming House vote involved essentially the same political arithmetic that has characterized previous votes on contra aid.

Roughly 200 of the 435 House members, mostly liberal Democrats but including some Republicans, have never voted in favor of direct government aid to the contras and would like to see assistance cut off. About 180 House members, mostly Republicans and conservative Democrats, favor some form of military aid. A group of 20 to 50 "swing votes" from both parties can tip the balance either way.



EC ASSURES LATIN AMERICA—Colombia's foreign minister, Colonel Julio Londoño Pareides, speaking Monday to a meeting in Hamburg involving the European Community and Latin American nations seeking to forge a regional peace accord. The EC gave assurances that it supported the accord and would cooperate in an international program to help Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Guatemala, San Salvador and Honduras rebuild their economies. It agreed to provide aid but did not set an amount.

Baseball Star Harvey Kuenn Is Dead

The Associated Press
PEORIA, Arizona — Harvey Kuenn, 57, a respected major league baseball player who retired in 1966 with a lifetime batting average of .303 and who managed the Milwaukee Brewers to their only World Series appearance, died Sunday. The American League Rookie of the Year in 1953 and league batting champion in 1959, Mr. Kuenn had been the Brewers' major-league scouting consultant since 1983.

Funds for China's Poor Diverted by Officials
Reuters

BEIJING — Officials in several remote, poor regions of China stole 178 million yuan (\$48 million) from public funds allocated as aid for poor and hungry people, the People's Daily reported Monday.

**UNITA Guerrillas Report
A Fierce Battle in Angola**

Reuters
LISBON — Pro-Western Angolan rebels said Monday that they had killed 172 government troops and 10 Cubans in a fierce battle last week near the beleaguered southeastern town of Cuio Cuavale.

A statement issued by the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, or UNITA, in Lisbon, said 10 tanks were destroyed or captured in the five-hour battle on Friday.

**Living Abroad
Pitfalls of Language Learning**

By Sherry Buchanan
International Herald Tribune
So you want to learn a language. The first chore is picking the right teachers.

Business contacts sometimes will praise a school, sometimes condemn it. Accurate assessment is tricky. If students graduate speaking gibberish, it may well be their own fault, not the school's.

Distressingly, there are no mandatory accreditation programs for private language schools in Britain, Belgium, France or West Germany. But there are a few organizations that consumers can refer to, although the type of information available is not consistent.

Perhaps the broadest-gauged programs are in Britain. "Most of the complaints we get are of a financial nature," said Graham Millington, of the British Council in London, a non-profit organization, which started a voluntary accreditation program of private language schools five years ago after the British government, to cut costs, decided to no longer inspect private schools for students over 16.

"Clients have paid a deposit, for instance, then didn't attend the course and want their money back," he said. Or there are complaints about accommodations especially when students stay with families they don't get along with."

Mr. Millington said that complaints to the council come mainly from parents who have sent their teen-age children on summer residential English-language courses. The council has had no complaints from executives attending English business residential language courses, which tend to be more expensive than those for teen-agers.

But he added: "Expensive does not necessarily mean good, and cheap doesn't necessarily mean bad."

Out of an estimated 800 English-language teaching schools in Britain, only 200 are recognized by the British Council. Not all apply for recognition. Of those that do,

If graduates speak gibberish, who's to blame? It may well be their own fault, not their school's.

about 20 percent must alter their methods before they win approval.

"The problem is that there are a large number of English-language schools outside the recognized scheme which are not monitored,"

Some government agencies, such as the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in France, and German state governments, publish lists of language schools, without rating them.

"This list doesn't have much value because there is no control of the quality of the schools by the ministry," said Marc Bailly of the Alliance Française in Paris, which has language schools in 103 nations. It delivers a diploma that is recognized by the French government to students who have completed the course.

Population of 3 Billion Expected in Asia in '88
Reuters

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — Asia's population is expected to reach three billion this year, Tatsuo Tanaka, chairman of the Asian Population and Development Association, said Monday.

A goal of lowering annual population growth in Asia to 1 percent by the year 2000 should be adopted, Mr. Tanaka said at a meeting of members of parliament from the region.

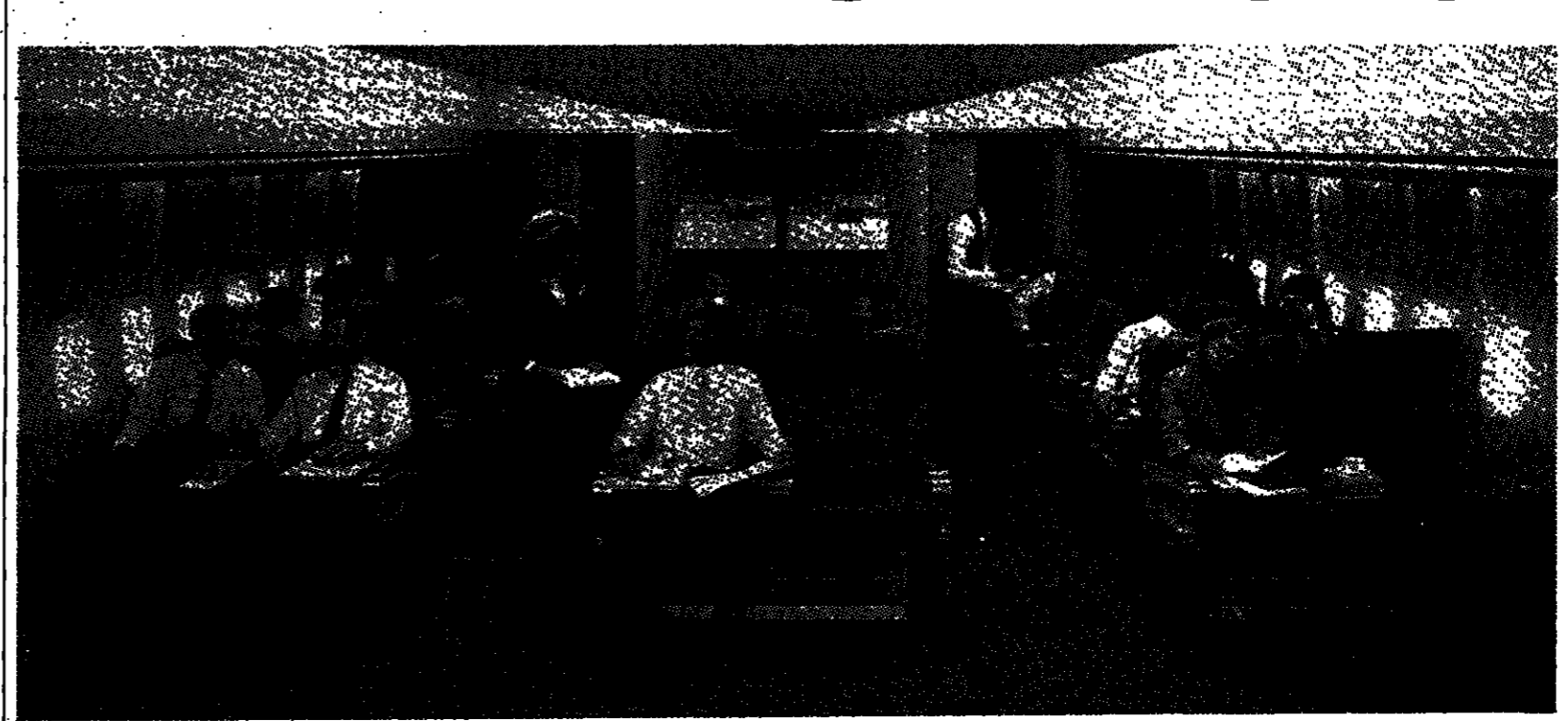
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MOSCOW — The Soviet leader, Mikhail S. Gorbachev, will make his first official visit to Yugoslavia on March 14-18, and will sign a joint declaration with the Yugoslavian leadership and address the parliament in Belgrade, it was announced here Monday.

Gorbachev to Visit Belgrade

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allegations he illegally amassed billions during his 20-year career.

Rebel Amnesty Exp
Mrs. Aquino's uncle, Mr. Marcos, said Mr. Marcos was failing and he wants to see "make amends to restore a mangled reputation."

Kenya Chief Starts
NAIROBI — President Moi of Kenya announced a five-year term Monday, a move that would allow him to remain in power until 1993.

Other Protest
The second group of Reverend Sydney Jones of the Anglican Bishop's Responsibility. Later the law of public vehicles in the cathedral and demanded their leaders.

ARTS / LEISURE

The Beauty Queen Coach

By Lisa Belkin
New York Times Service
EL PASO, Texas — In a brownstone office in the center of this city stand three cardboard women in evening gowns.



Richard Guy

'The pageant is a job interview and the judges are looking for the person who can do the best job.'

—Richard Guy



Honchar, president of Miss Universe Inc. 'Ours is a newer approach. Indeed, Miss Universe Inc. reportedly nets more than \$1 million just from the broadcast of the Miss USA pageant.'

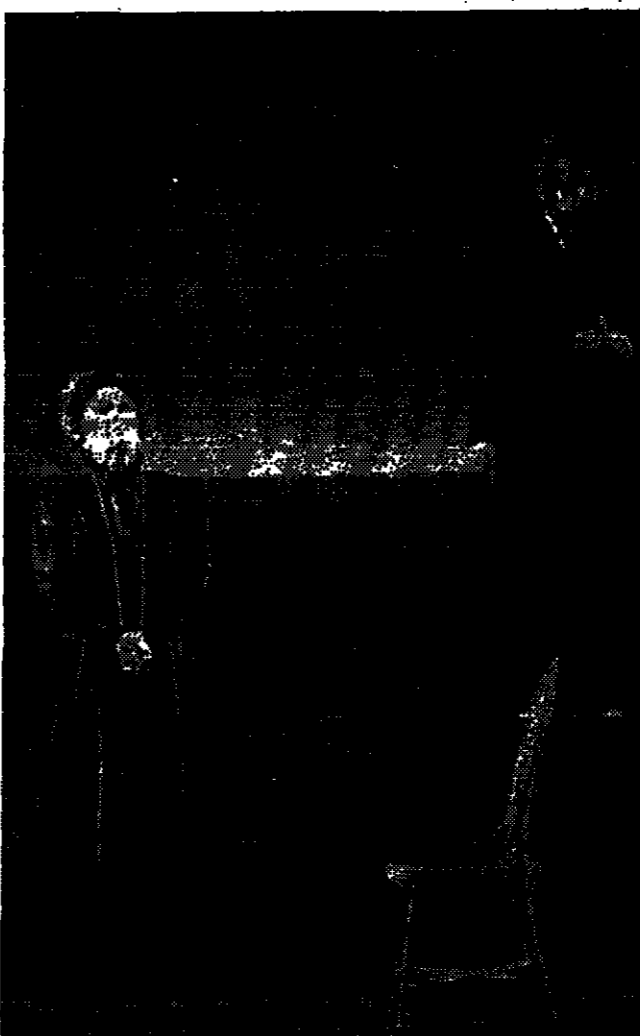
The two men of Guyrex say it is their philosophy. 'The pageant is a job interview, and the judges are looking for the person who can do the best job. We train the girl so she's ready for the job,' Guy said.

that same year, to replace the previous director — who created a scandal by collecting entry fees and failing to hold a pageant, according to Guy.

Imposing 'Katya Kabanova'

By David Stevens
International Herald Tribune

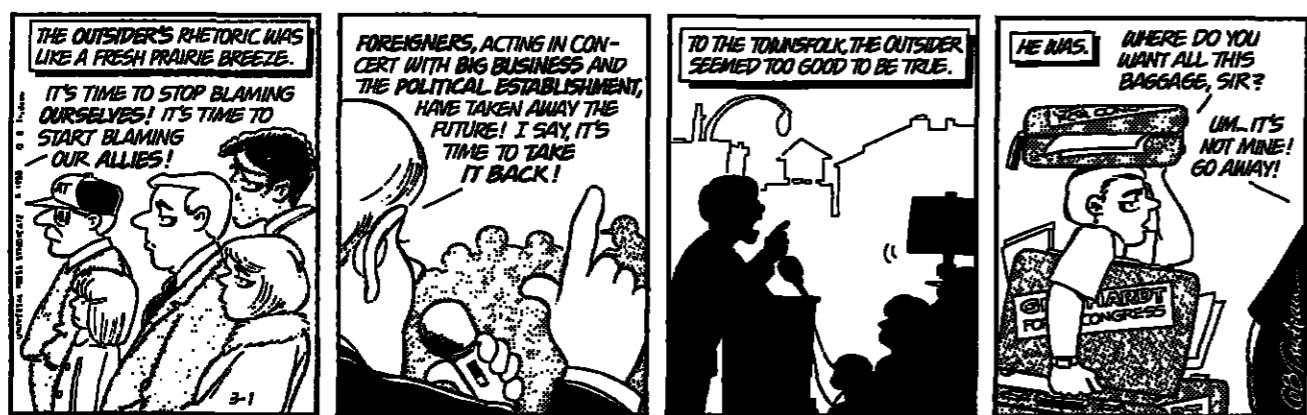
PARIS — Even with three theaters bidding for the same audience, opera still seems to fill the Paris houses: the Opéra launching its festival of the music of Leoš Janáček with an imposing 'Katya Kabanova,' the Théâtre Musical de Paris/Châtelet pursuing its season of German Romanticism with a concert of Weber's 'Oberon,' and the Théâtre des Champs-Élysées staging Gluck's 'Orphée' as a vehicle for Marilyn Horne.



Leonie Rysanek, Dimitar Petkov in 'Katya Kabanova.'

of German Romantic opera and little enough known in France, though a delightful production of 'Oberon' a couple of seasons ago in Lyon lifted the veil a bit. This work, a mixture of fairy tale, English pantomime, Singspiel and chanson de geste, has some of the best known music of any unknown opera, thanks to its overture and the soprano's great aria, a concert favorite of dramatic sopranos.

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SCOREBOARD
Olympic Games
Table with columns for various sports and scores.

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SPORTS

Memorable Olympics' Flame Extinguished

By Michael Janofsky
New York Times Service

CALGARY, Alberta — The flame lit by a 12-year-old Calgary girl was extinguished Sunday night by a 32-year-old city engineer who turned off the gas and thus ended the longest Olympic Winter Games ever staged. That simple act also highlighted the 90-minute closing ceremony in McMahon Stadium...

dent of the International Olympic Committee criticized the hockey team — and complains that the Games ran too long. To those for whom the Olympic spirit is not necessarily embodied in medals, there was Eddie the Eagle, the near-sighted British ski jumper who finished 58th out of 58 competitors in the 70-meter jump and pronounced it "the greatest day of my life."

For its riches, the Calgary Games will also be remembered for oddballs, crazy weather patterns, the disappointing performance by the Americans and complaints that the Games ran too long.

Sometimes the winds stayed cold. And they were strong enough at times to delay 12 events, although organizers managed to get everything in by Sunday night's closing ceremony.

Canada Olympic Park, the site of the ski-jumping, bobsled and luge competition, about 15 minutes from downtown, was most vulnerable to windy conditions. In fact, officials of the IOC are talking about more stringent siting requirements for host cities. Last week, a bobsled race had to be rescheduled because dirt and sand blew onto the refrigerated track.

die) Edwards of Cheltenham, England, is so inexperienced as a jumper that officials of the international ski federation considered grounding him.

Other athletes had equally little experience but no less heart, and, alas, no more success. They included bobsledders from Jamaica, who were unimpaired when their sled overturned Sunday, a luge racer for the Philippines who finished 35th in a field of 36, and a prince from Monaco whose bobsled finished 25th of 41 in the two-man race.

More than 130 American athletes came here with high expectations. But by the end, they had the fewest medals, six, of any U.S. team since 1936; the fewest gold, two, since 1968. This time, all the medals came in skating events; golds to Brian Boitano in the men's figure skating and Bonnie Blair in the 500-meter speed-skating event; a silver to Eric Flaim in the men's 1,500-meter race; bronzes to Debi Thomas in women's figure skating and Jill Watson in speed skating in pairs figure skating to Blair and the 1,000-meter race.

Pam Fletcher seemed to symbolize the plight of the ski team. Shortly before the scheduled start of the women's downhill, she collided with a volunteer and suffered a broken leg; the race was postponed soon after the accident because of high winds. Edith Thys had the highest finish of any U.S.

Wind also prevented more than 100 hot-air balloons from flying over McMahon Stadium during the opening ceremony.

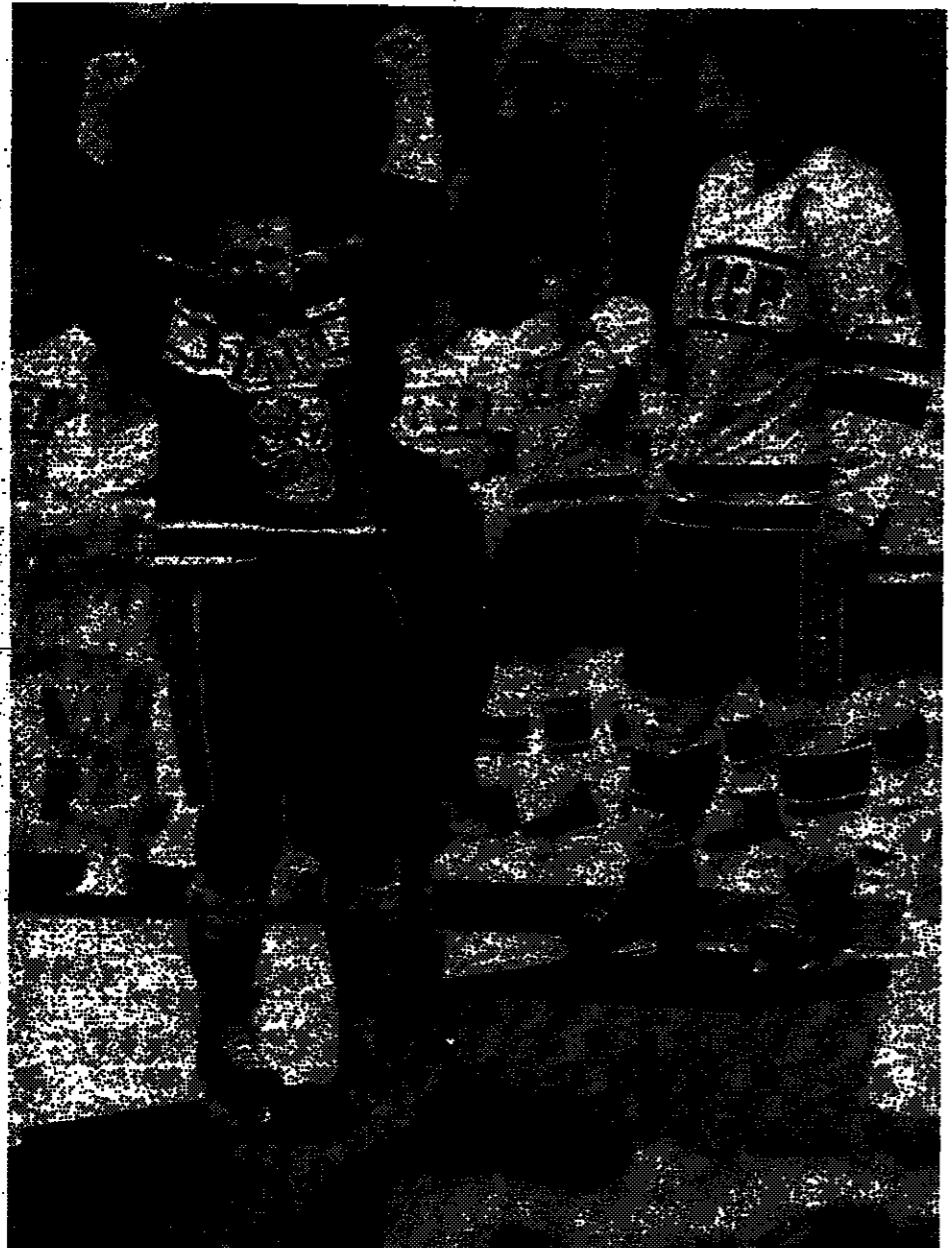
The weekend before the Games began, temperatures dipped below zero and stayed there for more than a week. Snow fell several times during the cold snap, once adding 16 inches (41 centimeters) at the mountain venues.

Then the chinooks arrived and continued virtually throughout the second week of competition. By the middle of last week, all but the mountain areas were back to their usual mid-winter snow.

For the U.S. team, leading disappointments included Josh Thompson, a silver medal winner in the 1987 biathlon world championships who finished in 27th place here in the 10-kilometer competition and 25th in the 20 kilometers; Nick Thometz, a former world-record holder at 500 meters in speed skating who finished 38th at 500 meters and 18th at 1,000; Dan Janssen, a potential medal winner at both of those distances who fell in each event; and Thomas, the national champion, finishing third behind Witt and Elizabeth Manley of Canada.

The U.S. hockey team failed to advance to the medal round for the second consecutive Olympics, prompting Juan Antonio Samaranch, the IOC president, to say, "It is a pity the Americans are so weak."

According to an IOC official, who asked that his name not be used, Samaranch was upset because he felt the absence of the Americans from the round would hurt television ratings. Samaranch also had a word of advice for those who felt the Games were too long. "Let them leave," he said.



Guy Stockton/Rexus-United Press International

Final-Day Heroics

With Vyacheslav Fetisov, his Soviet counterpart, looking on in mild amusement, Captain Timo Blomqvist simply couldn't contain his delight after Finland defeated the USSR, 2-1, Sunday to win its first-ever Olympic hockey medal. The Soviets had already clinched the gold; Finland took the silver and Sweden the bronze. Hippolyt Kempf, below right, won the Nordic combined to give Switzerland its second gold of the day (it also won the four-man bobsled), while Dutch speedskater Yvonne van Gennip, below left, became the only individual triple gold medalist of the Games by clocking a world-record 7:14.13 in the 5,000 meters. Goaled by East German rivals who had said she could win gold medals only after their retired, van Gennip had already taken the 1,500 and 3,000 events, and a banner in the Olympic Oval summed things up: "Yvonne 3, East Germany 0."



Mark Duncan/AP



Kon Lintco/Rexus-United Press International

Pistons Feeling Right at Home

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

PONTIAC, Michigan — K.C. Jones and Chuck Daly, the opposing coaches, played down the importance of Sunday's game between the Boston Celtics and Detroit Pistons. But the teams will probably meet in the National Basketball Association playoffs, and both coaches are aware of distinct home-court advantages.

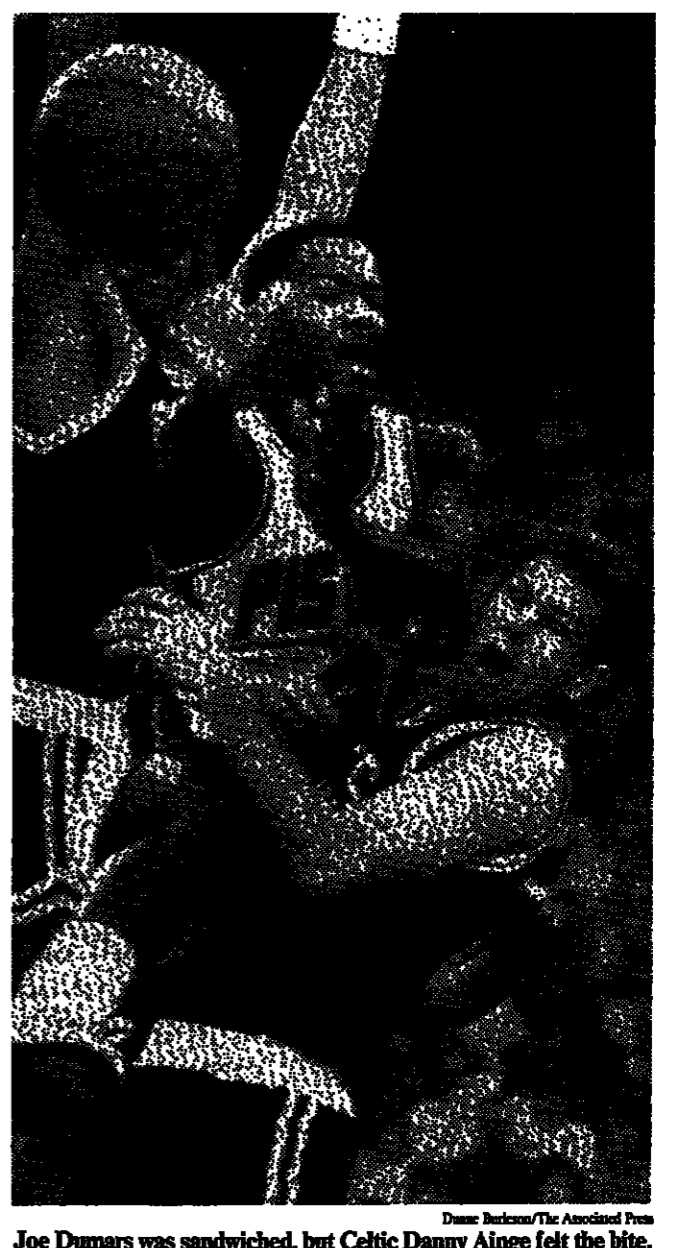
within one game of the Celtics in the loss column for the best record in the Eastern Conference.

The home team has won the last 15 meetings between Detroit and Boston, including last year's conference final, which the Celtics won in seven games. "That's not important to me," said Jones. "It's my down my list of concerns. What's important to me is how we play. That's my problem."

far down the road. That's April."

Still: The Pistons are 22-4 at home this season. Over the past two years, including playoffs, the Pistons have beaten the Celtics eight straight times at the Silverdome with an average of almost 16 points. Detroit has lost on its last 19 trips to Boston Garden; the last time they were there, Jan. 15, they absorbed their worst defeat of the season — 143-105.

On Sunday, Daly's Pistons (35-18) won, 106-101, and moved to



Joe Dumars was sandwiched, but Celtic Danny Ainge felt the bite.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Beck Coasts to His First PGA Victory

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Chip Beck shot a 3-under-par 68 Sunday to win the Los Angeles Open golf tournament, the first victory of his PGA career. Seven times a runner-up but never a winner in his 10 years on the tour, Beck opened a comfortable lead with birdies on the last three holes of the front nine. In command the rest of the way, he closed at 17-under-par 267, four shots ahead of Mac O'Grady and Bill Sander. Sander, who had finished no higher than fourth in a tournament since joining the tour in 1978, held a chip shot from off the green for a birdie on the final hole to finish with a 66. O'Grady closed with a 68. Beck began the day with a 14-under and holding a three-shot lead over Jay Haas, Ed Fleri and Steve Elkington. Haas finished 71-273; Mike Reid (a 69) and Fleri (70) were at 272. Elkington closed 72-274.

Mayotte Repeats as Pro Indoor Champ

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Tim Mayotte won his second straight U.S. Pro Indoor tournament here Sunday with a 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 victory over 16th-seeded John Fitzgerald of Australia. Mayotte, seeded second in the \$500,000 event, broke Fitzgerald's service three times in the fourth set to win his 15th straight match and take home the \$123,800 first prize. Fitzgerald double-faulted on the third match point to end the 2-hour, 21-minute match. After losing the first set, Mayotte took control of the next three on his services and passing shots. He had nine aces and won five love games.

Quotable

Los Angeles infielder Steve Sax, on his immediate future: "I could play third. I could play second. I could be working the snack bar." (AP)

National Basketball Association Standings

Table with columns for Eastern Conference, Western Conference, and Sunday's Results. Lists teams like Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and their win/loss records.

SCOREBOARD

Olympic Games

Final Medals Table showing counts for Gold, Silver, Bronze, Total, and Games Played for various nations.

NHL Standings

Table showing NHL conference standings for the Wales Conference and Campbell Conference.

Hockey

Final Standings for the 1988 Winter Olympics Hockey tournament.

U.S. College Results

Summary of U.S. college basketball results, listing teams and scores.

Selected U.S. College Conference Standings

Table showing standings for various college conferences such as Atlantic Coast, Big East, and Big Ten.

Basketball

Table showing national basketball association standings for Eastern and Western conferences.

Transition

Table listing baseball transactions, including signings and trades of players like Steve Carlton and Dwight Gooden.

Speed Skating

Table of women's 5000-meter speed skating results from the 1988 Winter Olympics.

College Top-20 Results

Table of top 20 results for the Associated Press college basketball poll.

Tennis

Table of tennis tournament results, including men's and women's singles and doubles matches.

Golf

Table of golf results, listing winners and scores for various tournaments.

Nordic Combined

Table of results for the 15-kilometer cross-country and 7.5-kilometer Nordic combined events.

WOMEN'S 5000-METER

Table of women's 5000-meter speed skating results, listing athletes and their times.

WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT

Table of women's tennis tournament results, including singles and doubles.

Top Finishers and earnings in the Los Angeles Open, which ended Sunday on the 129th hole.

Table listing top finishers in the Los Angeles Open golf tournament and their earnings.

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NYSE Most Actives table with columns for Vol., High, Low, Last, Chg.

Market Sales table with columns for NYSE 4 p.m. volume, AMEX 4 p.m. volume, OTC 4 p.m. volume, etc.

NYSE Index table with columns for Composite, Industrial, Transportation, Finance, etc.

Monday's NYSE Closing logo with 'Via The Associated Press' text.

AMEX Diary table with columns for Adv. Declined, Unchanged, Total Issues, New Issues.

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Dow Jones Bond Averages table with columns for Bonds, Utilities, Industrials.

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Odd-Lot Trading in N.Y. table with columns for Buy, Sell, %T1.

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NYSE Soars, Breaking Barrier

NEW YORK — Prices on the New York Stock Exchange closed sharply higher Monday in heavy trading as investors, cheered by signs that the economy remains healthy, took the Dow through a key psychological barrier.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 8.62 last week, jumped 48.41 points to close at 2,071.62.

Last week, the closely watched average had repeatedly stalled as it approached its post-Oct. 19 high of 2,051.89, which was reached Jan. 7, its highest closing since Oct. 16, the session that preceded the record 508-point drop on Oct. 19.

"This market has been building a base, and there's been plenty of cash on the sidelines waiting for a more positive tone," said Alan Ackerman, senior vice president of Gruntal & Co. "We're getting that positive tone now."

Advances led declines by more than a 3-1 ratio. Volume amounted to 236 million shares, up from 158 million Friday. Trading in high-yielding utility stocks accounted for a large part of overall market activity.

Broad-market indexes also gained. The NYSE composite index rose 2.76 to 150.46. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index jumped 5.36 to 267.82. The price of an average share added 60 cents.

Traders and analysts said a chief factor was a sense that the U.S. economy is advancing at a moderate but steady pace.

"The perception now is that inflation is not a problem," said Rodd Anderson, a vice presi-

dent in the equities trading department at Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc. "That creates a helpful atmosphere for stocks."

The government reported Friday that consumer prices rose a moderate 0.3 percent in January, in line with market forecasts. On Tuesday, the Bureau of Economic Analysis is scheduled to report on the month's leading economic indicators, also widely expected to be favorable.

Takover activity lent stock prices further support in the early going. Public Service Enterprise Group, parent of Public Service Electric & Gas of Newark, New Jersey, was the most active issue, up 1/4 to 24 1/2 on volume of 40.1 million shares. That stock pays an annual dividend of about 8.1 percent.

Ohio Edison followed, off 1/4 to 19 1/4 with 16.7 million shares changing hands. It yields approximately 10.1 percent. Third and fourth on the active list were Philadelphia Electric, which pays 11.2 percent, off 1/4 to 18 1/4, and Texas Utilities, paying 9.8 percent, up 1/4 to 29 1/4.

T&T gained 3/4 to 29 1/4. IBM rose 1/4 to 117 1/4. Federated Department Stores rose 1 1/4 to 66 1/4. It said its board was considering a second merger offer, raising the possibility that Campen's \$68-a-share bid for the fifth-largest U.S. retailer could be derailed. General Electric, which rose 1/4 to 45 1/4, denied rumors its GE Credit unit was involved in the bid.

Homestake Mining jumped 3/4 to 18. Mesa Limited Partnership said it offered \$20 a share for Homestake. Mesa rose 1/4 to 12 1/4.

Prices were higher in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Kohlberg Is Set to Buy Stop & Shop

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
BOSTON — Stop & Shop Corp., the U.S. supermarket and department store chain, said Monday it had agreed to be acquired by Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. for \$1.21 billion.

Fidelity Fund to Lay Off 800

The Associated Press
BOSTON — Fidelity Investments, the largest U.S. mutual fund firm, said Monday it was laying off about 800 workers or 10.5 percent of its work force, because of a slump in stock transactions and slower money management business since the stock market collapse.

Plessey, GEC Agree to Form Telecom Group

Reuters
LONDON — General Electric Co. and Plessey PLC, two of Britain's biggest electronics companies, said Monday they had agreed to form a new telecommunications group, to be called GEC Plessey Telecommunications.

Ball Accepts NYSE Censure in Hutton Case

By James Sternold
New York Times Service
NEW YORK — George L. Ball, the chairman of Prudential-Bache Securities Inc., has agreed to be censured by the New York Stock Exchange for a supervisory failure during a check-overdrafting scheme when he was president of E.F. Hutton & Co., according to Wall Street professionals with knowledge of the settlement.

Thomas Lynch, who acted as Hutton's chief financial officer at the time and has since retired, will also be censured, the sources said. Norman Epstein, who had been a senior Hutton executive and is now a consultant, has resisted a settlement, the sources said.

Quadrex Failed To Buy Unit, B&C Complains

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LONDON — British & Commonwealth Holdings PLC said Monday that Quadrex Holdings Inc. had failed to follow through on its agreement to purchase the whole-sale broking division of Mercantile House Holdings PLC.

Mr. Epstein would not comment. Nor would officials at Prudential-Bache or Shearson. In May 1985, Hutton pleaded guilty to 2,000 felony counts, paid a \$2 million fine and repaid its banks around the country for defrauding them.

As Traffic Surges, U.S. Airlines Raise Fares Early

New York Times Service
NEW YORK — U.S. airlines, buoyed by a low dollar that attracts foreign tourists and prompts Americans to seek advance bookings for their European travel, report a 12 percent increase in traffic for last year and are raising fares this year earlier than usual.

Mr. Mantelet would dispose of his stake had prompted speculation that Moulinox would soon receive a takeover bid, traders at the Paris Bourse said. The rumors have caused the company's share price to zigzag in recent weeks.

Holmes à Court Seeks to Merge Bell Groups

Reuters
PERTH, Australia — The Australian financier Robert Holmes à Court unveiled a plan Monday to merge his two major companies after paying the way two weeks ago with huge write-offs of stock market losses.

Two weeks ago, Bell Group and Bell Resources wrote off more than 900 million dollars from their books. The two companies, and a third sibling, J.N. Taylor Holdings, sustained losses of more than 1 billion dollars in the plunge.

Federated Shines Only as a Target

Profit Slipped in '80s as Retailer Fumbled With Assets

By Isadore Barmash
New York Times Service
NEW YORK — When Howard Goldfeder became chairman of Federated Department Stores Inc. in 1981, he vowed to improve the profitability of a company that had long been one of the most respected American retailers.

These factors have depressed Federated's stock price. Indeed, the low level at which the company's shares had been trading since Oct. 19, when they plunged along with the market, made it an attractive takeover target.

Homestake Is Targeted By Pickens

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

AMARILLO, Texas — T. Boone Pickens' Mesa Limited Partnership offered Monday to acquire all outstanding shares of Homestake Mining Co. of San Francisco for \$20 each, or about \$1.88 billion.

Mr. Goldfeder, 61, receives mixed reviews today. "Federated is considered an undermanaged business; it needs more expense control and more centralization," said William N. Smith, an analyst at Smith Barney.

GENERALE: Leysen's Stake Goes to de Benedetti

(Continued from Page 1)
Van Campenbeld, a Brussels stockbroker. Virginia Tetterall, an analyst with the stockbrokerage Phillips & Drew in London, agreed.

On Friday, Générale stock did not trade on the Brussels Bourse because of lack of sellers, but an indicative price of 8,060 Belgian francs (\$277) was posted. Gevernt is believed to have paid less than 2,500 francs per share for its stake.

Mr. Leysen had headed up an attempt with Suez several weeks ago to counter Mr. de Benedetti's takeover bid, but that effort failed after several Belgian members in the group, particularly Cobeqa, withdrew their backing.

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CURRENCY MARKETS

Dollar Mixed in Uninspired Trading

NEW YORK — The dollar mixed Monday in lackluster trading in New York, with dealers...

London Dollar Rates

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down from 1.6895 on Friday, and in Paris at 5.7160 French francs, unchanged.

Gold Falls, Rebounds

Gold tumbled Monday in Europe but rebounded in New York on a rally in platinum that traders ascribed to fear of unrest in South Africa...

Balladur Says No Realignment Needed in EMS

PARIS — Finance Minister Edouard Balladur of France said Monday that currency parities within the European Monetary System are sound...

Finister Says Japan Must Adapt to Long-Term Rise in Yen

TOKYO — Japan must strengthen its economy to cope with the continuing rise in the yen...

the record U.S. trade deficit by making American exports more competitive while pushing up the price of its imports.

Such inefficiencies can be resolved gradually through deregulation and other measures, he said.

of the strong yen and falling oil prices despite rapid growth in the money supply.

4th Drop Is Seen for Key U.S. Index, but Outlook Is Unclear

NEW YORK — Another monthly decline in U.S. leading indicators is expected to be reported Tuesday, but analysts are uncertain whether it would mean that an economic downturn is imminent.

Overall, the trend does point to sluggish growth in the first half of 1988, economists said.

If December is revised up, however, then we get the same old saw in the series.

BAKER: As Election Looms, Treasury Chief Wants No Economic Shocks

(Continued from first finance page) that Mr. Baker has shown too little understanding of financial markets.

Some market analysts, speaking with hindsight, now criticize Mr. Baker's dogged adherence to stabilizing currency rates between February 1987 and the October stock collapse.

Mr. Baker's twists and turns remain basically consistent with the conservative, market-oriented economic approach that Mr. Reagan brought to Washington.

Monday's OTC Prices. Table listing various OTC securities with columns for stock name, price, and change.

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Sales figures are unofficial. Yearly highs and lows reflect the previous 52 weeks plus the current week, but not the latest trading day.

Monday's AMEX Closing

Tables include the nationwide prices up to the closing on Wall Street and do not reflect late trades elsewhere. Via The Associated Press

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ART BUCHWALD

Saints and Sinners

WASHINGTON — The first time I saw Jimmy Swaggart was on TV in my kitchen at 8 o'clock Sunday morning. I was making porridge when his voice boomed out, "You are a sinner and you are damned to burn in hell until you beg forgiveness and cleanse your soul" — or words to that effect.



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I was so amazed at how much Swaggart knew about me I sent him a check for \$50. The next Sunday I got up and turned on the set. In truth, I was hoping he would announce the names of those who had sent him \$50. But Swaggart had other fish to fry. He took off after people who bought or sold pornography and said the wrath of God would fall on us and we would be eaten by worms and slugs — or words to that effect. Then he started crying and I sent him a check for \$100.

I stopped watching "Saturday Night Live" so I would be fresh when I turned on Swaggart in the morning. I couldn't believe it, but I wanted him to punish me.

The reverent was unmerciful. He railed at me for my obsessive aversion. He said his God was better than my God. He marched up and down the stage and then stopped and pointed his finger directly at me, promising a plague of locusts in my washing machine — or words to that effect. He gave me no choice so I sent him \$500.

Did I feel better after I sent off the money? Of course I did, I had been engaging in immoral behavior

Soviet Show in London
LONDON — Thirty-eight paintings from the Hermitage and Pushkin museums will be shown at London's National Gallery June 15-Sept. 18. The exhibition will include canvases by the Impressionists Sisyey, Monet and Renoir, and the Post-Impressionists Cezanne, Gauguin and van Gogh. In return the National Gallery will send works from its collection of European masters to the Soviet Union.

Heavy Metal Humor Roars Into Spotlight

By Stephen Holden

NEW YORK — Resplendent in glittering rock-star garb, Eddie Murphy prowls the stage in his hit concert movie, "Raw," like a sleek young lion. Baring his teeth in a dazzling ear-to-ear grin, the 26-year-old king of comedy from Hempstead, N.Y., playfully cuffs his fellow show-business icons. He locates a pompous



Rodney Dangerfield, leering hostility.

prude lurking beneath Bill Cosby's avuncular joviality and finds a thin-skinned hysteric inside Richard Pryor's hipster. With vicious accuracy, he impersonates effeminate homosexuals, macho Italian-Americans and middle-class white managerial types.

As a needer of celebrities and a supercilious social parodist, Murphy is not all that different from the Bob Hope of 30 years ago who tweaked celebrity egos and lipped with a limp wrist. He has the same impeccably measured timing, the same impenetrable killer's smile, the same cool, monarchical self-confidence. But while their similarities go deep, their differences are far more profound. If he possesses Bob Hope's imperial savvy, he is also the proud heir of a decades-old burlesque tradition of scatological party humor that Redd Foxx and others were instrumental in bringing into the mainstream of American comedy. While legends like Len Barry and George Carlin were key figures in intellectually legitimizing this blue humor, and, preceding Murphy, Richard Pryor grabbed it by the scruff of the neck and elevated it into perilous, pyrotechnical art.

As Murphy has been swept to the pinnacle of entertainment, older comedians like Rodney Dangerfield have been discovered and embraced by youthful audiences who have found in Dangerfield's crude, roaring hostility the comic equivalent of leering heavy-metal rock.

Dangerfield, who owns a popular New York comedy club, has fathered a whole school of screeching profane, assaultive male comedians, among them Sam Kinison, Andrew (Dice) Clay and Bob Goldtwit. Their phenomenal popularity in the comedy world is comparable to that of Ozzy Osbourne and the Beastie Boys in rock music. Heavy-metal rock has often been called "head-banging music" because it expresses adolescent sexual frustration and a feeling of social confinement. Outrageous "attitude comedy" voices the same sense of pent-up frustration with no outlet other than ranting verbal aggression. An indispensable conduit to its success has been cable television, which has brought uncensored performances to millions of homes across the country.

people are equal in their bodily functions, animal desires and revulsions. In his wild-eyed freewheeling confessions, Pryor transcendently carried this concept into social and metaphysical realms. Murphy, who grew up worshipping Pryor, has synthesized his idol's ghetto-wise truth-telling, graphic language and sexual explicitness with Hope's toastmaster style.

The 66-year-old Dangerfield, who stands one rung below Murphy in popularity, recently sold out a two-week engagement at the Mark Hellinger Theater on Broadway. The generous mentor to a veritable brigade of roughneck proteges, Dangerfield is a beleaguered everyman roving his comic resentment about his own ordinariness.

A walking textbook of macho antipathies, he barks a hilarious, profane litany of complaints about failing sexual powers, ungovernable bodily functions and physical self-loathing. With his pugilist's mug, huge saucer eyes that snap instantaneously back and forth between wonder and resentment, and foul-mouthed roar, he suggests a proto-heavy-metal rock star, punching out hostility like a bullying drill instructor.

It was not so long ago that judiciously placed profanity in comedy was a strategic ingredient in the crusade for freedom of expression. Today, the same language, only rougher, has become a key factor. What has been called "attitude humor." When heckled, Dangerfield gleefully smears his opponents to the wall. But his most provocative proteges are even more aggressive than he. Sam Kinison, who had his own Home Box Office special, "Breaking the Rules," last year, escalates his mentor's growls into primal screams that punctuate an act obsessed with sex. Dressed as a dapper, drunk street preacher, Kinison barks and screams like Mickey Rourke as he erupts on the skirts. And on occasion he stomps recklessly into territory where few dare tread. Addressing the AIDS crisis, he allows that he "has nothing against the gay life style," then lets loose with a primal howl. "Thanks, guys — thanks for giving us the black plague of the '80s!"

On "Nothin' Goes Right," Dangerfield's latest Home Box Office special, in which he presents several of his favorite young comedians, the Brooklyn comic Andrew (Dice) Clay matches Kinison in grossness. Affecting full black leather regalia, Clay parodies a macho hoodlum who responds to a girlfriend's pleas for tender sexual foreplay by snarling, "Honey, didn't I smack you around already today?"

The most interesting comic screamer — and the only one to talk politics — is Bob Goldtwit, who has appeared in several "Police Academy" movies and is fiercely anti-Reagan. Not a Dangerfield protege, Goldtwit plays a snorting half-crazed hippie wildman obsessed with expressing trivia ("I saw on the news that a Twinkie has so many chemicals in it that it has a shelf life of 20 years!") and prone to bizarre speculation. "Elvis Presley didn't have to die," he screams. "That man was so rich he didn't have to take drugs — he could have paid people to perform hallucinations for him."

The arm of stand-up comedy that mocks, screams and curses without any overt political or intellectual justification is a reflection of a broader trend. It is an extension of an adolescent culture of grossness that has become entrenched throughout the American popular arts since the advent of heavy-metal area rock in the early 1970s. Today, this expanding culture is represented in the movies by everything from the teen-age genre of "Friday the 13th" to the profane of "Porky's," to the muscle-bound, blood-spattering escapades of Sylvester Stallone and Arnold Schwarzenegger.

The humorous revering in comic carnage for its own sake is a desperate attempt to shout down a collective fear of social breakdown and worse times ahead? Are we being warned to toughen up for tougher times? Or are those times already here? If so, what the racket is telling us is that we do indeed live in a dog-eat-dog jungle, taking whatever laughter we can find while waiting in the mess we've made.

PEOPLE

Sarah, Prince Andrew Get In a Few Quips

Prince Andrew and his wife, Sarah, joined Hollywood celebrities at a black-tie dinner, where duchess joked with a male admirer at a star-studded show organized by the industrialist Arnold Hammer and the Arco Petroleum Co. L.M. Cook. Among the 700 guests paying \$1,000 apiece to dine in the Los Angeles at the Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles were Zsa Zsa Gabor, the "Dynasty" star Faye Dunaway, her actor husband George H. Wallace, and the actor Michael York. Sarah drew applause and some cheer when she said: "At last I have man to talk — all these men," man from the audience shouted, "love you." "I'll see you later," she quipped. Andrew had gotten into a dig a moment earlier when he acknowledged Hammer's remark that the couple "could fly ducks." "You are both licensed pilots," she quipped. "It is a little bit difficult because we would be fighting for the controls of the plane," they quipped. "I've raised by the dinner benefit, UK-LA '88 art festival and a fund to salvage books damaged in the fires at the Los Angeles Central Library." Prince and Duchess should continue to speak on controversial issues, according to public opinion poll published by The Mail on Sunday. The survey, 1,086 adults, conducted by Nat'l Opinion Poll, said 56 percent Britons believe their future life should speak out more and only 1 percent believe he should say less.

Massimo Ranieri won the year San Remo competition of Italian popular music with a song about middle-age love, despite critics' complaints that most of the songs sounded alike. Ranieri, 37, made his first appearance at San Remo song festival when he was 17. He won on Sunday "Perdere l'Amore" (Losing Love).

José Carreras is back in his hometown of Barcelona after a year in the United States and he wanted to sing again. He was invited to sing at the month Doctors diagnosed leukemia of the 42-year-old tenor, taken ill last July in Paris, when he was rehearsing "La Bohème," may perform an opera on stage Oct. 12, but before that he may give concerts and make recordings. Carreras told reporters.

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